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## FOR CLOSER UNION BETWEEN ALLIES

Briand's Purpose in Going to Italy to See Statesmen There

## MERCIER TO RETURN TO BELGIUM NEXT WEEK

Will Deliver Address at French Church in Rome on Sunday

Paris, Feb. 10.—The establishment of a closer and more fruitful collaboration between the allies was indicated yesterday by Aristide Briand, the premier, as the chief purpose of his visit to Italy.

"I undertake this journey with the greatest confidence," said M. Briand to the Paris correspondent of the Courrier de la Sera, of Milan, before he took the train for Italy.

"I feel certain that I shall gain from your statements, who have given such splendid proofs of intelligence and wisdom, the strongest support in carrying out the task of establishing among the allies a closer and more fruitful collaboration."

Cardinal Mercier.  
Rome, Feb. 10.—Cardinal Mercier, primate of Belgium, expects to leave Rome for Belgium next week and will follow the same route through Switzerland by which he came.

The cardinal will deliver an address at a religious function in the French church of St. Louis here next Sunday. The requests for admission to that occasion already are so great that the rector of the church is issuing special tickets.

## COMMISSION STARTS INQUIRY AT OTTAWA

Pringle Will Ask Glass Whether He and Others Were Smoking

Ottawa, Feb. 10.—The inquiry into the cause of the fire which destroyed the main block of the parliament buildings, with a loss of seven lives, on February 3-4, was begun this morning by the commission, Judge MacTavish and R. A. Pringle, K. C., in the council chamber at the city hall here. The work of examining the witnesses was undertaken by W. R. White, K. C., of this city.  
Commissioner Pringle dealt with the causes of fires in big buildings. All such causes, he said, would be examined to ascertain if any of them had any application in the case under consideration. It must be remembered that Canada was at war. It was natural to suspect that an enemy hand had been connected with the destruction of the parliament buildings. It was known that fires had occurred in the country to the south which had been set in a very simple manner. In one case a special liquid had been thrown on papers. After a while this had burst into flames. Whether or not anything of this sort had occurred here would be one of the matters most carefully considered during the inquiry.  
Canada was at war, and if the country were slumbering as to dangers, this fire, if of incendiary and enemy origin, would rouse it. Probably it would be better to be awakened by this happening than to sleep on until a greater disaster overtook the country, he concluded.

Evidence Taken.  
Evidence was given by some who were present when the fire started but their stories were the same as those they told the day following the fire.

Commissioner Pringle intimated that he would ask Frank Glass, M. P., whether he was smoking when the fire broke out and whether W. B. Northrup, M. P., or Sir Thomas White was smoking, and whether they smoked as a habit.  
"Rather a delicate question," commented Mr. White.  
"Nothing is delicate that is pertinent to the fire," replied Commissioner Pringle.

David Ewart, of the Dominion architectural staff, said the contents of the reading room and the corridors undoubtedly were most inflammable. There was no sprinkling system in the reading room though there were hydrants and hose nearby.

## REVOLUTIONISTS HOLD LUCHOW

Shanghai, Feb. 10.—Luchow, in the southern part of Szechuan province, has been captured by the Yunnan revolutionists, according to word received here to-day.

## BULGARIANS PLAN TO ENTER GREECE

Organ of Sofia Govt. Forecasts Attempt Against Allies at Salonica

## INSECURE AS LONG AS FORCES REMAIN THERE

Paper Admits Greeks Will Object to Invasion of Their Country

Sofia, Feb. 10.—The government organ Narodni Prava publishes a leading article asserting that Bulgaria has the right to invade Greece for the purpose of attacking the French and British troops. It declares Bulgaria is not responsible for the fact that her enemies have violated the neutrality of Greece, and continues:

"Our enemies must not remain where they are. We have the right to seek our enemies and destroy them, in order that they may not threaten us. It may be hard for Greece to see foreign troops on her soil, but we can not permit ourselves to be prevented from defending ourselves. We can not possibly permit the enemy to remain near our border. He must be driven out. We are prepared to meet all opposition with the fullest resources in our power to win a victory."

## ATTACK ELSEWHERE BEFORE SALONICA

Germans Are Avoiding Attempt Against Allied Forces in Greece

Athens, Feb. 10.—There will be no attack on Salonica for the present, according to information from a German source. The explanation is that the attack has been postponed until after a grand attack now in preparation against one of the more important fronts.

This is said to be the Italian front, as the Germans think it offers the greatest probability of a success which would have a great moral effect in the Balkans.

Serbian Troops.  
London, Feb. 10.—The Athens correspondent of the Daily Mail reports that the Serbian legation has received an official telegram stating that there are 4,000 Serbian troops at Corfu and 3,800 at Salonica.

The statement says the Serbian army totals 75,000 men, newly equipped and armed. They transported from Serbian troops and refugees from Albania still continues, and there shortly will be 80,000 Serbians at Corfu.

William of Wied.  
Rome, Feb. 10.—Prince William of Wied, who abdicated the throne of Albania in 1914, has arrived at Spaur, according to a Durazzo dispatch to the Idea Nationale.

## FRENCH AEROPLANES BOMBARDED SMYRNA TUESDAY; KILLED 200

Athens, Feb. 10.—Two hundred Turkish soldiers were killed on Tuesday and scores were wounded when seven French aeroplanes bombed Smyrna, according to Mitylene dispatches received here to-day. Three military warehouses were burned and two ships were sunk. The aeroplanes rose from warships at the break of dawn. Enemy aeroplanes attempted to give fight but their efforts were futile.

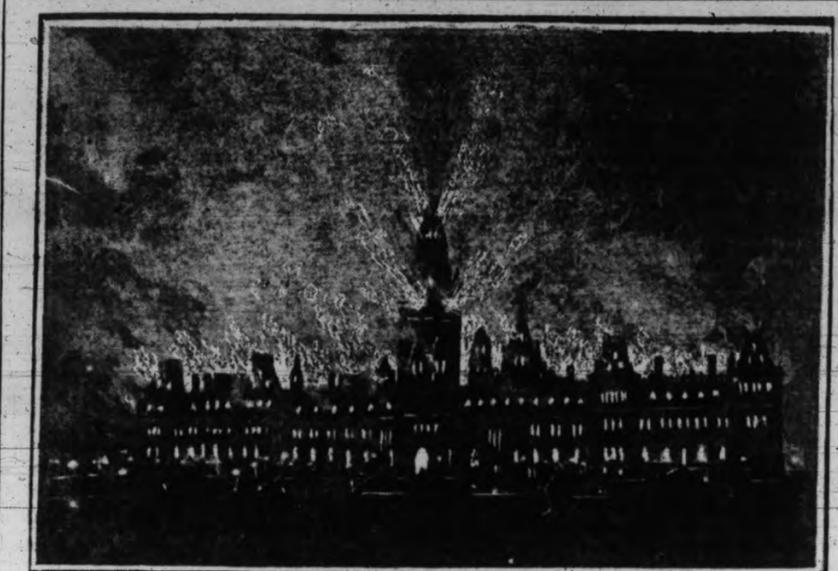
## WENT TO SYDNEY FROM OTTAWA; BEING HELD

Sydney, N. S., Feb. 10.—Captain D. A. Noble arrested an Austrian who arrived here on Tuesday from Ottawa without the proper endorsement of his card by the authorities. The man claimed to have worked on the streets of the capital during last summer and lately to have been employed in the woods. The fact that he left, without permission, a district where there have been fires of late, is considered suspicious and the authorities have been communicated with. He is being held at the city lockup for the present. His leaving the capital without permission destined him for the internment camp in any case.

## S. S. TEXAS AT QUEENSTOWN.

London, Feb. 10.—The Swedish steamship Texas, New Orleans for Gothenburg, which on Tuesday reported that her cotton cargo was on fire, arrived at Queenstown to-day.

## THE BIG FIRE IN OTTAWA



The above is the first picture of the main block of the Parliament Buildings as they were burning to reach the Pacific coast.

## Germans Guns Which Shelled Belfort Are Destroyed by French

Paris, Feb. 10.—Ten bombs from French aeroplanes on Wednesday destroyed the German guns with a range of 22 miles which had been making a systematic attempt to destroy Belfort, according to announcement here to-day.

## SAYS THEY INTEND TO RESUME CAMPAIGN

British Official Explains Germany's Stand in Negotiations About Lusitania

New York, Feb. 10.—A cable to the Tribune from London says:

"A high government official told the representative of the Tribune to-day that there was only one reason why Germany had made such a stand against the use of the word 'illegal' in the settlement of the Lusitania case with the United States.

"It is practically certain," he said, "that Germany is preparing for the immediate resumption of the submarine campaign on a big scale; consequently she does not want to be hampered by any considerations of legality.

"Once it is admitted that it is in accordance with international law to sink passenger ships at sight, Germany will be able to work unfettered."

## ARMED MERCHANTMEN.

Rome, Feb. 10.—The German government is about to issue a memorandum to neutral governments announcing that hereafter armed merchantmen belonging to countries at war with Germany will be considered and treated as warships.

The government contends this measure is justified by explicit instructions issued by the British admiralty to merchantmen, a copy of which is said to have been obtained by the German authorities. These instructions, it is understood here, were that the merchantmen should carry guns and attack submarines on sight.

It also is stated the orders have a counterpart in instructions issued by the governments of other countries at war with Germany.

## MISSING STEAMSHIPS.

London, Feb. 10.—The following new list of missing vessels was published to-day by Lloyds:

British steamship Sairap, 1,373 tons gross; British steamship Tynemouth, 2,222 tons; British steamship Hunnere, 539 tons; British steamship Glenariff, 499 tons; Spanish steamship Benillure, 2,528 tons; Italian steamship Iniziativa, 1,260 tons.

It is suggested that some of these fell victims to the German commerce-raider which captured the Appam.

## ORISSA SAFE.

London, Feb. 10.—The British steamship Orissa, of the Pacific Navigation company, has put into St. Nazaire, France, having struck a reef. No lives were lost.

It was feared for a time that the Orissa had been sunk.

## DESTROYED SKODA GUNS BEING BUILT

Explosion in Austrian Factory Killed Nearly 300; Injured Hundreds

## NO REPORTS IN PAPERS OF AUSTRIA-HUNGARY

Paris, Feb. 10.—A dispatch from Bucharest to the Balkan News Agency, which was delayed five days, states that the damage to the Skoda armament factory in Bohemia was more serious than at first announced. Rumanian official circles, the dispatch says, have received confirmation from Vienna of the reports of the destruction of all the cannon which were in course of construction, as well as all the plans and drawings in the draughting office.

The dead number nearly 300 and several hundred were injured by the explosion which caused the disaster and which is said to have been the work of criminals, who employed melinite for the purpose. The dispatch adds that the Austrian military censorship has prohibited the publication of news of the disaster in Austro-Hungarian publications.

## AUSTRIAN DESTROYER FLED TO CATTARO

Italian Destroyer Opened Fire on It; Austrian Submarines Pursued

Rome, Feb. 10.—The following statement was issued from the headquarters of the admiralty to-day:

"On the afternoon of February 8 an Italian destroyer, while escorting an allied cruiser, sighted an Austrian destroyer of the Hussard type. The Italian warship opened fire, the Austrian destroyer fleeing to Cattaro. On the same day an allied cruiser pursued four Austrian submarines off Durazzo, but they escaped.

"On the afternoon of February 8 an Austrian submarine attacked but missed a French cruiser off the Albanian coast."

Rome, Feb. 10.—Allied troops, presumably a part of the army under Gen. Desjardines which was on the island of Corfu, have reinforced the Italian and Serbian forces at Avlona, Albania, according to a dispatch received here to-day.

The dispatch says it is known that an Austrian army has reached Berat, 35 miles northeast of Avlona.

## BELVIDERE BROOKS DEAD.

New York, Feb. 10.—Belvidere Brooks, vice-president of the Western Union Telegraph company, dropped dead in his office here to-day.

## Boys of Seventeen in Prussia Ordered to Join the Colors

London, Feb. 10.—A dispatch received here from Amsterdam says it is stated in newspapers in Holland that the boys of 17 years of age in Prussia have been ordered to report immediately for service in the landsturm.

## PLAN TO DRIVE BACK ENEMY IN BUKOWINA

Russians Engaged in Important Operations at South End of Line

London, Feb. 10.—Reuter's correspondent at Petrograd says that the opinion is expressed there that if the Russians continue their movement they will threaten all the Austro-German positions in the district of Czernowitz, capital of the Bukowina.

According to statements made by prisoners, the correspondent says, the desperate defence of Czernowitz by the Teutonic forces, which has cost them large losses, was dictated by political rather than strategical considerations, an order having been issued to the troops declaring that the fall of Czernowitz would cause the immediate adherence of Rumania to the entente.

Owing to the flooding of the Oginski canal on account of a sudden thaw, the Germans have been compelled to evacuate all their second line trenches in that district, losing large quantities of ammunition.

## ARMY ACT IN FORCE IN MOTHERLAND NOW

London, Feb. 10.—The Military Service act came into force to-day. It will add 316,460 men to the army at once.

## COL. E. M. HOUSE SAW SIR E. GREY TO-DAY

London, Feb. 10.—Col. E. M. House, who has been visiting the principal capitals of Europe as the personal representative of President Wilson, conferred with Foreign Secretary Grey in the first of a series of conferences with British cabinet officials.

## Greek Troops Drove Bulgarian Band Back Across the Border

Athens, Feb. 10.—Greek troops, after a sharp clash on Tuesday, drove back a band of Bulgarian irregulars which had crossed the frontier, according to a dispatch received here to-day. Many prisoners were taken by the Greek soldiers.

## LOW SAYS FLAMES FED ON VARNISH

Contractor Explains Cause of Rapid Spread of Fire at Ottawa

## BLAZE WAS AIDED BY VENTILATION SYSTEM

Ottawa, Feb. 10.—The following statement on the fire which destroyed the main block of the parliament buildings was issued to the press this morning:

"Colonel Robert S. Low, the well-known contractor, who returned from Halifax at the request of the government a few days ago, has been inspecting the ruins of the parliament buildings. His conclusions are most interesting and instructive.

"It appears that the system of ventilation, combined with the extensive varnishing and profuse use of shellac on the floors and woodwork furnished the basis of the rapid spread of the flames. Colonel Low points out that the racks in the reading room and the walls thereof were thick with varnish, a most inflammable material; that the wood was light pine, very dry and most inflammable; that the doors had been coated recently with shellac, another most inflammable material, while the loose newspapers and files completed the most perfect arrangement ever devised for a sudden and successful conflagration.

Ventilation System Aided.  
"Once the flames had obtained headway in the reading room and pressed into the corridor, the ventilation system seems to have come into full play. The varnish on the lockers all around the corridor immediately burst into flames. The ruins show quite plainly that the flames passed along the ceilings and upper parts of the lockers, merely burning off the varnish, except in the rooms where papers or other combustible materials were piled, or where an angle of the wall blocked the flames sufficiently to have the wall ignite. The draft from the ventilators carried the flames all through the corridors, and it can be plainly perceived that the so-called explosions were caused by the igniting of the gasses from the varnishes with which the wood had been treated.

"Even in the corridor of the house of commons, nearly opposite room 16, the flames passed through so rapidly that the lower parts of the lockers are still intact and several pairs of rubbers belonging to members have been discovered in a perfect state of preservation. The smoke and flames can be traced along the upper part of the corridors quite plainly, proving that the draft from the ventilation system drove the flames along the ceilings. Where rooms were badly burned, it can be seen that they were rooms that were filled with desks, papers and all kinds of combustible material.

Wood in Good Condition.  
"On the ceilings, in places where the flames passed by, the varnish was merely scorched, and the wood still remains there in good shape, indicating that the flames passed so quickly that there was not sufficient flame in the gas to ignite the wood.

Col. Low shares the opinion, expressed by Senator Edwards the other day, that the building can be restored in eight months or less."

## PREPARATIONS BEING MADE BY ROUMANIA; GOVT. ASKING GOLD

London, Feb. 10.—The Salonica correspondent of the Times telegraphs:

"All Rumanian reservists here have been ordered home immediately."

The Bernese correspondent of the Post learns that the Rumanian government is appealing to the people to pay all the gold they have into the national bank.

## J. L. McLENNAN SENATOR.

Ottawa, Feb. 10.—John L. McLennan, K. C., of Sydney, N. S., has been called to the senate to succeed the late Senator Mackay.

## GERMANS ATTACKED IN ARTOIS; FAILED

Repulsed Between Neuville and La Folie; Held Only Mine Crater

## FRENCH ENTERED TRENCH SOUTH OF THE SOMME

Amsterdam Courant's Estimate of Total Losses Suffered by Prussia

Paris, Feb. 10.—The artillery duel between the French and Germans is continuing in the Artois district, according to the statement issued this afternoon by the war office. German troops last night made a strong attack against the French positions between Neuville and La Folie. This was repulsed, and the Germans succeeded in holding only one mine crater.

German Statement.  
Berlin, Feb. 10.—The capture from the French of a large section of a trench northwest of Vimy, in the Artois region, was announced by army headquarters to-day. A mine crater near Neuville, in the same sector, was retaken.

South of the Somme, the French gained a foothold in a small part of one of the German first-line trenches.

German Losses.  
London, Feb. 10.—The Amsterdam Courant states that the Prussian casualty lists No. 429 to No. 432, give the names of 19,339 dead, wounded and missing, and Prussian lists No. 430 to No. 433, give the names of 15,349 dead, wounded and missing. The total Prussian losses are computed, by this newspaper as 2,377,378.

The German military losses include also 335 lists of casualties in the forces of Wurttemberg, 247 Bavarian lists, 248 Saxon lists, 60 navy lists and some lists concerning German officers and non-commissioned officers in the Turkish service, according to the Courant.

## APPEAL BEING MADE FOR GEORGE CODERRE

Former Canadian Lieutenant Sentenced to Death in England; Parents Crossing

London, Feb. 10.—An appeal is being lodged against the conviction of Geo. Coderre, of Sherbrooke, Que., who was a lieutenant in the 41st Canadian Battalion. He was sentenced to death for the murder of Sergeant Ozanne, of the 9th Canadian Mounted Rifles.

Execution of the sentence is fixed for February 22. There is little hope entertained of the appeal succeeding, but it will gain time. A petition for a reprieve will follow.

Coderre's father and mother are now on their way to England, having left Sherbrooke immediately upon receipt of news of the sentence. The former lieutenant seems totally indifferent to his position. He declared to an acquaintance who saw him in jail yesterday that he would "die like a man."

## ARMED MERCHANTMEN WARSHIPS, THE ENEMY INFORMS THE STATES

Washington, Feb. 10.—Germany and Austria, through their embassies here, have notified the United States of their intention to treat armed merchantmen as warships after March 1. That date has been fixed to give the entente nations time to signify their intention toward the recent note of the United States proposing the disarmament of all merchantmen.

## PAPEN HAD LETTER FROM CONSUL AT NEW ORLEANS

New Orleans, La., Feb. 10.—Dr. Paul Roh. German consul here, admitted to-day to the Associated Press that he had written the letter taken at Falmouth by British agents from Captain Franz von Papen, recalled German military attaché, and which the British officials said was signed with the initials "R.V.M." which they ascribed to R. von Meyenbug, former German consul here.

## SIX AEROPLANES AND ZEPPELIN DESTROYED

Petrograd, Feb. 10.—Russian aeroplanes recently destroyed six German aeroplanes and a Zeppelin, according to official announcement here to-day. Bombardment of railroads and canyons of the Germans still is being carried out.

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CRATER OCCUPIED BY BRITISH TROOPS

French Drove Germans From Small Post Between Soissons and Rheims

London, Feb. 10.—The following official statement was issued last night: "Last night we fired a mine south of Crater No. 8, and after some fighting with trench mortars and hand grenades, occupied the crater. "The enemy's artillery showed some activity to-day about Authuille and Loos, and against our line northeast of Ypres. Our artillery replied vigorously, considerably damaging the enemy's trenches. "With reference to the German official communication of February 8, stating that a German aeroplane squadron had attacked Poperinghe, General Sir Douglas Haig reports that a hostile aeroplane dropped four bombs near Poperinghe station, no damage being done."

French Report.—Paris, Feb. 10.—The following official statement was issued last night: "In Belgium our heavy artillery continued the bombardment of the Yvauban fort and the trenches in the region of Met Sar. "In Artois a rather intense artillery duel has been going on between Hill 119 and the road from Neuville to Thelus. The enemy, after having exploded a mine in front of our trench to the southwest of Hill 146, directed

against our positions an infantry attack, which was repulsed. "Between Soissons and Rheims, to the south of Villa-au-Bois, we attacked with grenades a small post, which the enemy was obliged to evacuate. "To the southeast of St. Mihiel our batteries caused extensive damage to the German organizations in the forest of Apremont. "This afternoon the enemy threw seven shells on Belfort and its environs."

PHEASANTS AND QUAIL SAVED BY FARMERS

Grain Sent by Govt. for Distribution in District of Duncan

Duncan, Feb. 10.—The pheasants and quail have had a very bad time of it since the heavy snow came, and would have been almost killed out had they not been fed by the farmers. The government sent up several tons of grain for distribution among sportsmen and others who would see that they were fed. The quail have suffered most, Grouse, being native birds, have been able to fend for themselves. "During the past 42 days the railway line to Cowichan lake has been blocked by snow, a fall of about 10 feet being reported by phone, and food supplies are running short. The snowfall at Glenora also has been greater than that at Duncan, several of the settlers being completely blocked in. On Sunday Mr. Mar's Hale managed to break his way out, and on Monday with a party of men from the 88th opened up a trail to several of the farms. "In the city itself roads have been kept open throughout, and goods have been delivered daily by the merchants, the city snow ploughs having been able to keep the roads open. Should a quick thaw come the oldest settlers say there is danger of the river rising and flooding the lower-lying lands, as happened after heavy rains about 20 years ago. "The various Red Cross work parties have been very small during the snowy weather, but work has come in from several ladies who have done it at home. "H. Douglas Fox and V. H. Wilson have left for Victoria, having epistled with the pioneers. "H. B. Wallis has left for England."

ONLY A DODGE FOR ELECTION PERIOD

Facts Prove Interest of Conservatives in White B. C. a Pretence

ADDRESS IN VANCOUVER BY M. A. MACDONALD, K. C.

Vancouver, Feb. 10.—Declaring that the belated interest in the white British Columbia by the Conservatives was an election sign, and asserting that while Mr. Bowser preached a white British Columbia, his practice belied his profession, M. A. Macdonald, K. C., Liberal candidate for the expected bye-election in Vancouver, gave a stirring address at a public meeting in the Liberal headquarters here last night under the auspices of the Liberal clubs of the west ends of Ward III and IV. Patrick Donnelly also spoke on behalf of the candidacy of Mr. Macdonald. Both speakers were vigorously applauded on their appearance in the hall.

Mr. Macdonald dealt particularly with the question of the employment of Orientals. "Who does not remember," he asked, "the furor that was made in this province on the question of a white British Columbia by the McBride government, whose chief spokesman was Mr. Bowser, the present premier? It was simply one of those empty cries—as empty as their treasury—with which that government sought support in the past. I notice it is reported that at a Conservative meeting in Ward VII speakers dealt vigorously with the need of excluding Orientals from employment in developing the resources of the province. This belated interest in this question is an election sign. The same old pretence will be made by the same old party that this question is peculiarly its own. You can fool some of the people all the time, but not all the people all the time. Anyone who looks to Mr. Bowser for relief must be patient and long suffering." The speaker proposed to show the reason why.

Mr. Bowser's Record.—"Look up Mr. Bowser's record," he said, "and you will find that while he preached for a white British Columbia his practice belied his profession. He did not scruple in the past to resort to trickery on the eve of elections and in the legislature either in inventing stories of the influx of Orientals under contract by the Laurier government or by passing a Natal Act into which a word was inserted which gave it the opposite construction to what was intended. "Everyone remembers that while the Laurier government was in power up to September, 1911, Mr. Bowser in session and out of session used this question to arouse public feeling, posing as the champion of a white British Columbia, while since 1911, when the Borden government was installed, he has been as dumb as the oysters from his oyster bed leases."

The same thing was true of the Conservatives' better terms cry. "To-day," the speaker declared, "this question is becoming acute. There has been a steady increase in the number of Orientals in the province. They are displacing white labor, particularly in the mining sections of the province over which the government has control. Their employment in large numbers continues in violation of the law requiring underground workers as a matter of safety to be able to read signals and notices, and this is particularly true in the mines controlled by Mackenzie & Mann, who, while they have not been in office in this province, have always been in power."

That there might be no doubt on this question as to the increase in the number of Orientals employed, he proposed to give the figures. As was well known, one-half of the head tax of \$600 went into the provincial treasury. He would give the figures showing the number of Chinese who had paid the tax in the last year of the Laurier regime, with the amount received by the province, then following that the number admitted and revenue received since 1911, since when Mr. Bowser had a friendly government at Ottawa to assist him in keeping his election pledges if he ever seriously intended to do so.

The Growth.—In 1910-11, the last year of the Laurier administration, 1,425 Chinese had been admitted, for which the province had received \$856,250. The immigration had increased greatly since then, 5,596 Chinese paying a total head tax of \$1,728,900 on entering in 1913-14, and 5,117 paying \$1,575,351 on entering in 1914-15.

"These figures," Mr. Macdonald declared, "afford the best answer to the pretensions made in past years that this government would, if it could only defeat the Laurier government, prevent the influx of Orientals into the province."

W. H. SHARPE A SENATOR.—Winnipeg, Feb. 10.—The Ottawa correspondent of the Free Press says: "W. H. Sharpe, ex-M. P. for Lisgar, Man., who resigned to take part in the Manitoba elections and who was recently appointed a lieutenant-colonel to raise a battalion in Southern Manitoba, has been called to the senate to take the place of the late Senator Kirchoffer."

Affable Passenger—"Indeed, and you are a music hall artiste! I am a banker, and I think it must be at least twenty years since I was in a music hall. Music Hall Artiste (regretfully)—"And I am quite certain, sir, it's twenty years since I was in a bank."

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SMITH-DORRIEN IS SUCCEEDED BY SMUTS

Able South African General Will Lead Against German East Africa

London, Feb. 10.—Lieut-General Sir Horace Lockwood Smith-Dorrien has relinquished the command of the British forces operating in East Africa, owing to ill-health, it was announced officially last night.

General Jan Christian Smuts, minister of the interior and of defence in the government of the union of South Africa, has accepted the post, with the temporary rank of lieutenant-general. On December 14 last, General Smith-Dorrien, who had command of the British second army in Flanders, was appointed to the supreme command of the forces operating in East Africa. That he was in active command there was indicated as recently, as February 2, when an official statement issued here embodied a report from him on the satisfactory progress that was being made with the campaign.

While the British expedition against German East Africa was being organized in November General Smuts was placed in command, and early in December announced that the entire force asked for the expedition had been recruited. The sending of General Smith-Dorrien to Africa to take the supreme command of all the forces for the East African operations followed shortly thereafter.

The announcement last night added: "Last November, when the union contingents for East Africa were being formed, the government offered the command to General Smuts. For various reasons he was then unable to accept it. Now it has been offered again to General Smuts, who in the new circumstances has accepted."

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COL. HOUSE'S TRIP FEELER FOR PEACE

Paris Paper Analyzes Wilson's Plans in Sending Him to Europe

PARIS, Feb. 10.—Col. E. M. House's diplomatic reserve does not prevent the Paris press from publishing lengthy notices of the visit of President Wilson's representative.

The political editor of the Journal des Debats in the course of a column editorial describes Col. House as President Wilson's "friend, inspirer, boss and after ego." "His mission undoubtedly is important," the editorial continues. "Col. House is on a mission to investigate the state of mind of the belligerents and to carry confidential instructions for the enlightenment of the American ambassadors, to co-ordinate their action with a view to the general liquidation of the European conflict."

"President Wilson is animated by two natural sentiments, to play a role in the conclusion of peace and to arrange so that the peace will be to the advantage of the United States. Hence his ambassadors must not allow themselves to be influenced by special sympathies or engage surreptitiously in combinations which do not correspond to his intentions. He wishes to hold the diplomatic personnel well in hand. General Peace Plan Seen.

"At the moment perhaps he is preparing a project for a general pacification. There are many signs to show that Mr. Wilson inclines toward negotiations for peace. That probably is one reason preventing Germany from embroiling with him. The United States at the present moment has obtained from the general confederation about the maximum of the material profits possible. Her munitions manufacturers have made long contracts with the belligerents.

"Furthermore, she is becoming self-supporting. Wall street has bought seven milliards (1,400,000,000) of American securities in Europe. Washington thinks that it is time now to consolidate the advantages while preserving the possibility of making great profits during peace.

"The complete exhaustion of both sets of belligerents, or the crushing of one by the other, would not serve these interests. The impoverishment or ruin of either would be equally prejudicial. The peace which is desirable is one ensuring larger orders for the United States to re-equip exhausted Europe. The old time jealousy toward Britain and the anxiety to defend American maritime commerce arouse apprehensions against the complete triumph of Britain.

"Such considerations as these throw some light on Col. House's mission." The Figaro says it is unwilling to complain of the brevity of the visit, for Col. House will have given seven days to Paris, as compared with four days to Berlin.

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Russian Troops Made Gain in Galicia; Activity at North End

Petrograd, Feb. 10.—The following official communication was issued last night: "There has been a lively artillery action on our left flank in the Riga section. In many places our artillery dispersed German working parties, and also caused a great explosion in the enemy's lines in the region of the Baldon road. "In the sector of the Dvina, at Lkwenho-Harkant, between Jacobstadt and Dvinsk, and near Dvinsk, there has been intense artillery and rifle fire, with particular activity of the heavy guns on both sides of the Poniawesch railway. "In Galicia, to the northwest of Tarnopol, the enemy fired heavy calibre explosive shells against the sector of Zaleszky, we occupied Uscieszko, where our troops crossed to the western bank of the Dniester. Southwest of Zamoussin, on the Dniester, the enemy inadvertently blew up a small mine. The explosion destroyed a section of his trenches. "On the Black sea on Tuesday our torpedo boats in the coal region sank a small steamer. "On the Caucasus front our troops have dislodged the Turks from a series of positions in the region of the Archave river."

THREE INJURED DURING AIR-RAID ON KENT

London, Feb. 10.—Two women and one child were injured yesterday afternoon when two German seaplanes raided the Kentish coast, dropping bombs. Three missiles fell on the outskirts of Ramsgate and four near a school at Broadstairs. The material damage is said by the war office to have been confined to the shattering of glass. "The attack was made in broad daylight. At 2.30 o'clock in the afternoon, two seaplanes were reported along the



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CAN BREAK GERMAN LINE WHEN THEY WISH

Allies in West Have Men and Munitions, Says Frederick Palmer

Montreal Feb. 10.—Frederick Palmer, the only representative of the United States press accredited to the British army in Flanders, who spent many months in the trenches, firmly believes not only in the ultimate success of the cause of the allies, but that the German line on the western front can be pierced by the French and British forces when they wish to do so. Mr. Palmer had gone to Europe from Mexico shortly before war broke out and on the date of the outbreak of hostilities was in Belgium. Having no desire to be captured by the Germans, he went to London and there waited for five months before obtaining official sanction to represent his country with the British Expeditionary force in Flanders. "It was a long wait, but I had sufficient faith in the British army to enable me to stick it out," said Mr. Palmer, here from New York. "It is not possible to have large groups of correspondents at the front, so representation for each nation is cut down to one man. Even so we do not go about together, but visit the trenches singly. However, this is of minor importance after all. Men and Munitions. "Yes, I believe the allies have it in their power to blast their way through the western German lines. It is a matter of munitions, and remember this, Kitchener had a man ready every time there was a rifle to give him. Now, there are both men and munitions, and we may look for results. We talk about the enormous population of Russia, for instance or of the United States as possessing a population of 100,000,000. This is all true enough, but we must realize that if equipment and training are lacking, you cannot call up a modern army in a day or a month. "And when we are discussing populations we should always remember that the central powers had a great advantage in the homogeneity of their populations. This is particularly true of the Germans. There is no such thing as a mixed army. I am much inclined to discredit these tales of Germans working on a schedule, planning to be in a certain place on a certain day and all that. What the Germans did plan was to have more men and more rifles and more guns ready and on the jump when war was declared than anybody else had. And they had them. German Bluff. "The Germans fight as old John L. Sullivan did. His method was to impress his opponent with the fact that he was fighting John L. Sullivan and couldn't possibly last more than three rounds. Then he smashed and smashed with his right. That's Germany all over. You take these stories of 15-inch guns on German battleships. Remember that one-inch difference in the calibre of a big naval gun means a new battleship throughout. The ship is built around the gun. The 15-inch naval gun is unknown—or was, unless some British designer has made one since the war—and I don't believe Germany has any such weapon. But it is the German policy to make the other fellow think they have to worry him and to talk big. Mind you, I am not seeking to discredit the German as a fighter. He is a wonder, but there are many wild yarns about this war which it is well not to take too seriously. Game in Balkans. "Germany, in my judgment, is playing a marvellously clever game in the Balkans. She is getting the Turk and the Bulgarian to do the fighting for her. She can stiffen them up a bit with German brains and use them to keep Britain's new army occupied. Germany has to have many counters when the time for peace comes. That is why she is extending her fighting area right through Asia Minor. Holding large conquered areas, she will be in a better position when the day of reckoning comes. "Now would be a splendid time for her to talk peace, but do you imagine that any of her opponents would consider it? How much sentiment for peace at this time is there in Canada? Praises Canadians. "And, speaking of Canada, how superbly your troops have behaved! I don't know anything that has impressed me more than the sight of your Canadians in the trenches. I tell you it is marvellous. South Africa I could understand; it was more of a 'sporting proposition' as it were. But to see your boys side by side with the British troops in this war—this war with which nothing that has ever happened can compare—fighting and proving up—it is perfectly wonderful. "It interests us Americans particularly too, for this is the first time a stock born and bred on the American continent has been put in the crucible of a great modern war. "You cannot realize the magnificent spirit which reigns in the trenches. The things that matter tremendously to us here have sunk into insignificance and vanished away there. The duke and the Whitechapel cockney are equals, standing shoulder to shoulder in the presence of death. There is, of course, superb courage; there is likewise a fine and unflinching courtesy. "Impossible. But I saw it. Impossible—ridiculous. "I tell you, it did. "And I say it didn't, because it couldn't. "I was there and witnessed it. "Do you mean to tell me that he was killed by a bolt from a clear sky? Do you expect me to believe such a yarn?" he shouted. "That's just what I'm telling you. A workman on a twenty-storey building dropped the bolt."

SHELL COMMITTEE WILL BE DEBATED

Laurier Will Move Special Committee of Commons Inquire Into Acts

TREATMENT OF CANADA'S RETURNED SOLDIERS

Ottawa, Feb. 10.—The acts of the shell committee, the body which let contracts for munitions in Canada for the imperial government up to the time of the formation of the imperial munitions board, which is in charge now, are to be the subject of a debate in the house of commons. Yesterday Sir Wilfrid Laurier gave notice that he will move the following resolution: "That a special committee of members of this house be appointed to inquire into all purchases of shells or other munitions or goods by the shell committee formed by the minister of militia, as stated to this house by the prime minister on April 15, 1915, together with all contracts made or orders given by the said committee for any shells or other munitions or goods, with authority to the said committee to require the production of documents, etc., and that such committee be directed to report from time to time to this house. This resolution will bring the matter before the house. The shell committee was dealt with by several members during the debate on the address in reply to the speech from the throne. In reply to the demands of several Liberal members that an inquiry be held, Hon. Arthur Meighen, minister-general, said that the attitude of the government was that there should be no inquiry. Undoubtedly many interesting facts will be brought out during the debate. Returned Soldiers. W. S. Middlebro, Conservative, North Gray, moved in the Commons yesterday that "in the opinion of this house, in all future appointment to the civil service of Canada preference should be given to those properly qualified candidates who have served with the Canadian expeditionary forces in the present war." Mr. Middlebro said that he wanted to get an expression of the house on a subject which was a simple matter of justice, and which was also a matter of fact advertised that those who enlisted hereafter will receive this preferential treatment. At patriotic meetings all over the country private employers were urged to give preference to returned soldiers. The government as a large employer certainly should do the same. Hon. George P. Graham, who followed, said that the men going to the front not only should have the country's best wishes, but they also ought to know that their families were being provided for while they were fighting the country's battles. Men were being drawn not only from the shops and the farms, but from business offices. Should these men, when they came back, be objects of charity? No Canadian soldier should ever be allowed to stand on the street corner and pass the hat. The duty of parliament was plain. It should give the first opportunity to those who had made sacrifices. Heretofore men had been appointed to office for being political warriors. Now the country had a chance to honor the real warriors. Technical Education. Hon. Frank Oliver was of the opinion that technical education for returned soldiers should be taken up in a practical manner. The men who had been rendered unfit for their former vocations but who were given technical education might become suited for new employment. The government should give disabled soldiers every opportunity to fit themselves to earn a living. Sir Robert Borden remarked that every possible consideration would be given to those who had gone to fight the battles of the empire. He called attention to the fact that an order-in-council passed last November stated that preference would be given to returned soldiers in filling government positions. He approved of the suggestion of Mr. Oliver that the government should do everything possible to assist disabled soldiers to fit themselves so that they could earn a livelihood. He agreed that the best possible service the government could render a disabled soldier would be to enable him to earn his own living. It would mean much for the man himself and much for the future of the state. Sir Robert told of having visited a school in London for blind soldiers. He had been so much impressed with the work being done at that school that he had asked the authorities in charge to send him a full report of the work done. Pension Scheme. Sir Robert intimated that a new pension scheme for disabled soldiers and the dependents of those who have lost their lives would be laid before the house for consideration during the present session. At the time of the introduction of the superannuation bill last session, suggestions had been asked but not many had been received. No doubt at this session the house would be able to go over all opinions and suggestions made. Sir Robert then spoke of the readiness of the provinces to co-operate in finding suitable employment for returned soldiers. WRECKAGE FROM SHIP OF GERMAN FLEET Copenhagen, Feb. 10.—Dispatches published here state that parts of wireless apparatus and other wreckage from a German warship have been washed ashore on the Swedish coast near the point in the Cattegat where a German ship was reported two days ago to have been sunk.

FOUGHT GERMANS ON DECK OF STEAMSHIP

Crew of British S. S. Woodfield Resisted Party From Submarine; Survivors' Story

TREATMENT OF CANADA'S RETURNED SOLDIERS

London, Feb. 10.—The survivors of the crew of the British steamship Woodfield, which was sunk off the Moroccan coast by a German submarine, have arrived here and tell the story of the fight on the Woodfield's deck with the submarine crew. The submarine, which was one of the large and fast undersea craft Germany sent to the Mediterranean, sent a boarding party after overhauling the Woodfield. This was met by the Woodfield's sailors with knives and pistols as it came over the side. The ensuing fight lasted for three hours, the submarine being unable to bring its guns into play for fear of hitting its own men. The crew of the Woodfield lost eight killed and fourteen wounded before giving in to the superior arms of the raiders. The survivors were turned into small boats to pull for the Moroccan coast. In Morocco they were captured by a bandit Moor tribe and released when the Woodfield Shipping company paid their ransom. According to German papers, the Woodfield, of 2,584 tons gross, was carrying thirty-three automobiles, several motor trucks and war materials to Salonica.

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Natives of Allied Countries Will Not Be Naturalized in Canada

Montreal, Feb. 10.—J. L. Chabot, naturalization commissioner, has received instructions from the department of the secretary of state not to admit to Canadian citizenship any members of the nations allied with Canada and the empire in the present world-wide war. The instructions are that such applicants are not to be admitted unless they are in a position to prove, by the testimony of some consular official, that they are not liable to be called upon for military service in their respective countries. The regulation has been passed by the Ottawa authorities in order to frustrate the efforts of those natives of the allied countries in Europe who seek to escape doing military service. Since the outbreak of the war there has been a large increase in the number of applications of this kind, but now they are invariably turned down.

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**A TAINTED DEAL.**

The judgment of the Supreme Court of Canada, the highest tribunal in the country, on the Kitlano Indian reserve appeal, is a scathing arraignment of a transaction which was peculiarly Mr. Bowser's own. Mr. Justice Idington described the commission allowed by the government for the deal as "scandalous," he spoke of the "disagreeable surmises that may arise in one's mind in surveying the unpleasant features" of the whole transaction. His suggestion that Mr. Bowser may have been imposed upon by the two middlemen and might have a case for the recovery of the whole \$30,000 was eloquently ironical. Mr. Justice Anglin expressed his "amazement at the assurance given by a member of the British Columbia government" precedent to the deal. If the Supreme Court of Canada was amazed at those features of the transaction which affected only the squabble between the middlemen over the spoils, we wonder what would have been its sensation if it had reviewed all the circumstances connected with this sordid affair.

Mr. Bowser, who was then Attorney-General, wanted the Kitlano Reserve for railway purposes. Two of his trusty yeomen undertook to procure it from the Indians. These gentlemen were H. O. Alexander, police magistrate, and H. Reid, who had been employed in the office of Bowser, Reid & Wallbridge. That the government should try to purchase the reserve itself through some of its highly paid officials of course was out of the question. That would have violated the practice and tradition of years. It would have been a repudiation of the apt precedent of the Songhees Reserve deal. Messrs. Reid and Alexander enlisted the services of a half-breed named Cole, who helped to persuade the Indians to surrender the reserve for \$220,000. Messrs. Reid and Alexander received a commission of \$30,000, the government, therefore, paying \$250,000 for what it could have purchased for \$220,000. When the spoils were divided, however, Cole was left out of the reckoning. He entered action in the courts of the province and finally was awarded \$20,000. His two associates appealed to Ottawa, and the Supreme Court has sustained the finding of the British Columbia court.

Meanwhile a very interesting situation developed. When the purchase of the reserve by the province was brought to the attention of the federal government in parliament, Sir Robert Borden and Hon. Dr. Roche, Superintendent-General of Indian Affairs, declared that the whole transaction was illegal because it had not been carried out according to the terms of the Indian Act and that it was not recognized by the Canadian government, the guardian of the Indians. Thus the province had paid \$250,000 to the Indians and a rake-off of \$30,000—virtually for nothing. The title remained with the federal government in trust for the Indians. Mr. Bowser must have known that the transaction was illegal, just as he knew the Dominion Trust legislation of 1913 was illegal. In both instances he plainly was anxious to help his friends, trusting to luck to avert disagreeable consequences. An enabling act by the Canadian parliament would have made the transaction legal, but this the federal government would not introduce owing to counter-pressure by Mr. Stevens, the member for Vancouver, who had been trying to get hold of that reserve for his own plans and, angered at being outmaneuvered, blocked all attempts to extricate Mr. Bowser from his predicament. An arrangement has since been reached between the two.

The public accounts of British Columbia for the year 1912-13 contained an item intended to show that the sum of \$200,000 was voted by the legislature in the session of 1912 for the purchase of the Kitlano Indian reserve. That is untrue. The legislature of 1912 did not vote a cent for the

Kitlano reserve. The item did not appear in the estimates at all. The legislature did not even hear of the matter. The public accounts, the volume supposed to recapitulate the transactions of the year covered by it, had been falsified to conceal an unauthorized raid upon the provincial treasury to the amount of \$300,000. Thus the Kitlano transaction was tainted with illegality, corruption and deceit from beginning to end and it was primarily the affair of the politician who calls himself the head of a "business man's" government.

**THE PARLIAMENTARY TERM.**

Sir Wilfrid Laurier's attitude and eloquent speech on the resolution bearing upon the extension of the parliamentary term are what might have been expected from a statesman whose high ideals, lofty patriotism and untarnished record have made him one of the outstanding world figures of this generation. With some justification he might have counselled delay; he might have contended for a shorter period of extension such as the British parliament agreed upon. The political outlook for his party was promising; the government's general record since 1911 has been unsatisfactory to the major portion of the population and its prestige has been weakened by the disclosures since the outbreak of war, but Sir Wilfrid, to whom his followers entrusted the determination of their course, believes that partisan strife in the nation should be avoided at all costs; that all other issues should give way to the decision of the one upon which the civilization of the world depends. All his utterances have shown how thoroughly absorbed he is in the great struggle, how fully he has grasped its real significance. Incidentally we might refer to the extraordinary tribute his party paid him when it entrusted to him the sole responsibility of deciding the best course for it to pursue in the circumstances. It was an inspiring expression of his followers' unquestioning confidence, borne of his twenty years' leadership, in his wisdom and discretion.

But the government must not expect that Sir Wilfrid's ready concurrence in its proposal for the extension of the term of parliament will be followed by the abdication by the Liberal chief and his followers of their duties as critics. No government that ever held office at Ottawa was in greater need of strong criticism. A general election with its distracting circumstances would not be nearly as disastrous as the conversion of the present parliament into a mere machine for the registration of the will of the government. The unhappy experience of British Columbia would be magnified tenfold in Canada. Grafting on war contracts and other damnable transactions dangerous to the security of the cause for which we are fighting would flourish uncontrolled. It is fortunate indeed that at this crucial time the opposition led by Sir Wilfrid Laurier is the ablest party of parliamentary critics that ever sat on the left of Mr. Speaker at Ottawa, and no one should feel more gratified over the fact than Sir Robert Borden himself. He knows that in all that pertains to the best efforts of this country he has Laurier at his back. He need not worry about Bourassa and his Nationalists. Two hundred members of the House of Commons will support the war measures proposed by the government as long as they and their enforcement are worthy of this Dominion.

**WILL THE GERMAN NAVY FIGHT?**

Will the German High Seas fleet emerge from its mine-protected bases in the forlorn hope of snatching final, decisive victory for the central empires? It is the belief of British naval authorities that it will do so, and there are indications that it is making thorough preparations for the great adventure at this moment. The logic of the situation supports the view that von Pohl will hazard a bold stroke, notwithstanding the terrible risks it will involve.

Germany's internal conditions are becoming very bad. The food question has reached an acute stage for a large part of the population. German statesmen and inspired newspapers of course insist that Germany cannot be starved. That may be true enough, but she certainly can be half-starved or a third starved, which is about as bad. When that poignant moment has arrived the German government will have to deal with more than isolated street riots. Germany's financial situation is equally serious. She has borrowed some \$12,000,000,000 from her own people and is confronted with the dangerous expedient of imposing taxation for the first time since the oppressive budget of 1913. German bankers are reported to have warned the government that if the war is prolonged beyond this fall Germany will be irretrievably bankrupt, that is, she will be unable to rehabilitate herself after the struggle without wholesale repudiation of obligations.

The basic cause of these conditions is the pressure of the allies' sea-

power, particularly the seapower of Great Britain. With this disadvantage overcome Germany believes, rightly enough, that she could win the war, that is, that she could hold what she has or swap it for indemnities. Her attempt on Calais was planned with this object in view. With that port as a base she hoped to extend her grip on the French seaboard, thereby compelling the allies to alter their naval dispositions while at the same time she could conduct a fierce submarine and aerial campaign directly against Great Britain. All her efforts in this direction have failed disastrously. Her later campaigns in the east and the south were subordinate to her main objective in the west, which has not been lost sight of for a moment. Her military writers bombastically declare that Germany will conquer Great Britain at sea by extending the scope of her operations to Egypt, but we doubt if the German higher command anticipates real success in that quarter. Napoleon tried it—in Egypt, too—and failed. In any event the central powers have not enough men for a really great offensive against Egypt.

The German High Seas fleet is useless at its base. It is merely an ornament which cost the German taxpayers \$1,500,000,000. It does not safeguard the German coast, for it is the natural physical conditions supplemented by mines and submarines which protect Germany from naval raids. The German people are asking why the navy makes no real attempt to afford relief; why it does not strike to open the trade communications and food routes. Moreover, the German authorities know that if the allies win the war they will demand the destruction or surrender of a large part of their navy in any case. Thus we may assume that sooner or later the enemy will send his fleet to sea in the hope that at best it will gain a victory or at the worst will break through the cordon of sufficient strength to play havoc with British commerce and inflame the British people in favor of an early peace.

This hazard is almost certain to be risked before the allies have become so strong on land that an attack at sea would be futile, that is, before the spring. It would be a surprise attempt with the object of striking the British navy before it could be fully concentrated, when the odds would not be so heavy. The time for this would be during the winter, with its short, misty or stormy days and its long cloudy nights. We would not be surprised to hear of it being made within the next few weeks, but whether it would precede another desperate attempt to reach Calais by land is a question. Undoubtedly another fierce campaign is about to be undertaken by the Germans in Belgium and northern France, the bulk of their military reinforcements having been concentrated there. Perhaps they will strike simultaneously on land, sea and in the air. The conception would be characteristic and would be savagely carried out, but it would fail and with its failure the German empire, as it is now known, would come to an early end.

When the war began Germany had twenty-one dreadnoughts, including battle-cruisers. Turkey got the Goeben, which left Germany with twenty. In the last year or so she has completed two according to her regular programme and has probably accelerated the construction of three or four more sufficiently to have them finished by this time. She therefore, has twenty-five or twenty-six first-line battleships and battle-cruisers. How many Great Britain has nobody outside of the admiralty knows, but we may reckon on a superiority of two to one in dreadnoughts and battle-cruisers and vastly greater odds in vessels of all the other classes. Better than all, we can reckon on genuine sailors whose native element is the sea, while Germany's ships are manned by men who for the most part are conscript landmen, thousands of whom have never seen an ocean and in this war have never travelled beyond the fringing guns of Heligoland. The Kiel Canal is no place to train sailors for warfare on the high seas, as the great test will show.

The Springfield, Mass. Union, a newspaper, rightly contends that the bombardment of cities and districts by Zeppelins and aeroplanes is nothing but pure barbarism. Furthermore, it is dangerous to the relations of countries which are not in the war with nations which are in it. Suppose, for instance, the Union asks that one of the bombs dropped from a Zeppelin flying over London should fall upon the American embassy and cause the death of Ambassador Page, what would be likely to happen? Quite easy. It would call for the immediate dispatch of a "note" with a demand for "reparation" and "reparation." The Union thinks war would result; not with Bernstorff and Wilson on the job.

We observe that certain American newspapers are loud in their laudation of the feat of the German sailor who captured the steamship Appam and piloted her into a port of the United

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States. That is all right. We do not object to seeing even a German getting his due. But when one reputable journal uses this incident as an illustration of the alleged fact that during the war the "initiative" has been taken almost entirely by the German navy, we are tempted to point out that the Hun is strong on "initiative." One of them, in fact, is so potent in that particular that he is leading Uncle Sam around by the nose like a tame bear. Von Bernstorff is so strong in "initiative" that President Wilson is as putty in his hands.

It was bad enough for Mr. Bowser to present \$30,000 of the public funds to two of his political followers, one of them an employee in his office, but what can we say of the falsification of the public accounts to show that the legislature authorized the \$300,000 raid upon the public treasury of which the Reid-Alexander rake-off was a part? And the whole transaction was illegal, too. Such is the "honest, efficient business-like" government, the electors soon are to be asked to endorse. Is it any wonder our credit abroad is impaired and we have hard times at home?

Doubtless many photographs of Victoria's streets have been taken during the past few days and stowed away in the archives for the entertainment and education of future generations. The present generation hardly will look upon the like again. But will the blindest inhabitant of the future be believed when in reminiscent mood he dilates upon the extraordinary winter of 1916?

All honor to Cardinal Mercier of Belgium for stoutly refusing to participate in a movement intended not only to save the central empires from the consequences of their horrible enormities, but to fasten upon Belgium, an economic yoke which would be merely preliminary to her annexation by Germany.

After its winter's rest, the motor car will poke its nose out and open its eyes to see how the weather lies—probably to-morrow. For such a restless, hurrying, scurrying thing, two or three weeks of inactivity must have been very trying to the nerves.

We hope the next time Mr. Flumerfelt makes a political speech he will tell us what he thinks of the Kitlano Indian reserve deal, a piece of resistance of his chief, the Hon. W. J. Bowser.

The accounts of the Ottawa fire in eastern newspapers just arrived leave very little room for doubt that the outbreak was of incendiary origin.

The reign of the once proud road king, the horse, was a short but merry one, what with jingling bells and other accompaniments.

**SUNDAY EVENING THOUGHTS ON SUPERFLUITIES.**

A soldier drops on the bloodied ground;  
 List to the beeping of the shells.  
 We wend our way to the church and pray;  
 List to the pealing of the bell!  
 The Red Cross nurse binds the soldier's wounds;  
 List to the grinding teeth of pain;  
 We kneel in prayer. On the evening air  
 List to the choir's sweet refrain!

'Tis help we want for this shelter'd link,  
 Canst hear a Red Cross nurse's plea?  
 Or do we hear but the organ clear  
 Playing the Benedicite?

What is sung in that sacred hymn,  
 God grant us peace that we might live.  
 God's blessings share; have you nought  
 List to spare?

List, for your conscience calls . . . And give.

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**Silk Crepe de Chine Waists in New Spring Styles Selling at \$4.90 But Worth \$5.75 and \$6.75**

A fortunate purchase to advantage of new spring models brings some of the daintiest of Waists here to sell for less. These Waists are all better-grades, such as would sell in the regular way at \$5.75 and \$6.75, but our huge buying facilities enabled us to take advantage of this good offer to the advantage of our numerous patrons, and thus we have marked these Waists for sale at \$4.90. By noting the samples displayed in View street window you will easily recognize the value-giving of this offering. We also draw your particular attention to the new styles which we feel sure will find general approval. The chief materials are silk crepe de chine and Georgette crepes. Some are in combination shades of both materials. The new shades include pale blue, flesh, maize, peach, navy, white and black. By shopping early you get best choice of colors and sizes. See large windows on View street. —Selling, First Floor

**Fifty Traveler's Sample Sweaters for Men Go Out at Specially Low Prices**

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 —Selling Main Floor

**150 Pairs Men's Pants in a Special Sale Friday at \$3.50**

Reg. Values to \$6.00  
 Here's a great opportunity for men who need a new pair of pants to economize. A fortunate trade event brings about 150 pairs of men's better-grade pants here to sell at a big sacrifice. Every pair is a fine grade, well tailored from good quality worsteds, tweeds and tweed mixtures and finished with belt straps and five pockets. A big range of shades and patterns to choose from. Pants that sell in the regular way as high as \$6.00. Friday, a pair, only . . . . . \$3.50  
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**Late Shipment of Infants' Flannel and Flannelette Garments**

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**EVIDENCE WAS SPILT**

Indian's Bottle of Whiskey Came in Collision With Police Station Safe.

Gus Morris, a Saanich Indian who has been before the police-court two or three times of late months, and who was a member of the launch party from which one of a quartette of Indians was drowned near Albert Head, was arrested yesterday afternoon in possession of a bottle of whiskey, and this morning in police court was charged with that offence.

Provincial Constable Robert Owens found the man at the market building getting into a sleigh. He was very drunk and had in his pocket a bottle of Canadian rye whiskey.

In putting the bottle away in the police safe yesterday it was struck by the iron door and smashed, so that only the fragments of the bottle could be produced. Sgt. Walker, who was on duty in the afternoon, deposited the liquor smelling as whiskey.

Morris could not give any account of where he got the liquor or how he came to be in the condition he was in. He was sentenced to pay a fine of \$25 or spend one month in jail.

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### MORE BOARDS NAMED

License and Police Commissioners for Several Municipalities Appointed.

Possibly as a result of the master of the administration being so far from the seat of government the annual appointments of police and license boards is proceeding very slowly this year.

To-day further appointments are announced, including those for Nanaimo, Duncan and Fort Alberni. These are: Port Moody—License, Aid. Wm. Carr and Wm. T. Johnstone; police, Aid. J. H. McLean and R. J. Thurston.

Duncan—License, Aid. James M. Campbell and W. M. Dwyer; police, Aid. James Duncan and G. H. Savage.

Enderby—License, Aid. A. E. Johnston and F. Hassard; police, Aid. G. R. Sharpe and F. H. Barnes.

Grand Forks—License and police, Aid. J. McArdle and W. J. McIntyre.

Salmon Arm—License, Aid. W. R. Holliday and A. E. Connolly, M. D., C. M.; police, Aid. R. W. Bruhn and W. V. Leonard.

Nanaimo—License, Aid. E. G. Cavabsky and W. H. Bennett; police, Aid. J. R. McKinnell and G. Walker.

Fort Alberni—License, Aid. E. Exton and J. H. Davey; police, Aid. D. W. Warnick and G. W. Faulkner.

Port Courtenay—License, Aid. A. W. Keith and T. Dickenson; police, Aid. T. J. Routley and J. Maz.

Companions of the Forest—The meeting of the Companions of the Forest has been postponed until further notice.

### TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO TO-DAY

Victoria Times, February 10, 1911.

Bishop Lemmens last evening gave his annual dinner to the choir of the pro-cathedral. About twenty guests sat down. The affair was entirely informal.

Tenders will be received till Feb. 21 for erection of an hotel and three stores on the Dallas road, near the outer wharf, for Mr. William Jensen. Edward McCoskie is the architect.

William Hammond, C. E., after whom Port Hammond is named, died this morning at the Jubilee hospital. He had been engaged in survey work in this province for a number of years, recently with the E. & N. railway survey.

The grand lodge of the I. O. O. F. will meet to-morrow at the lodgeroom here. The brethren will be entertained at a banquet on Friday evening.

Phoenix Beer—2 qts. for 25c  
Special Sale White Waists, \$2.50 values for \$1.50. See windows. Seabrook Young, 623 Johnson St.

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Y. W. C. A. Directors Meet.—The board of directors of the Y. W. C. A. will hold the regular monthly business meeting on Friday at 8:30 p. m. Members are requested to attend.

Has Been Postponed.—The matron of the Royal Jubilee hospital announces that the meeting of the Graduate Nurses' Association of British Columbia, which was to have been held at the hospital on Saturday evening next, has been postponed till further notice.

Waterworks Line Conditions.—Conditions are reported to be more satisfactory with regard to the men employed on the pipe line for the city waterworks than had been anticipated. The telephone line from Humpback reservoir to the lake has remained intact so far, but difficulty has arisen from the interruption of communication between the city and the reservoir.

As a result of the investigation made through snowed in, are comfortable and have supplies. The snow is four or five feet deep on the surface of the flow line. It is reported.

Fifth Regiment Band.—A large number of requests were received by Bandmaster Smith in connection with the Fifth Regiment band "Request Sunday," at the Royal Victoria theatre on February 13. The following numbers will be given, from the many numbers asked for: The overture, "Café of Bagdad," selection from Lucia di Lammermoor; waltz, "Dream Girl"; and sacred selection, "Eventide." A request for Bandmaster Smith to play a concert solo was received, and will be accorded to the following week, as owing to his recent illness he will be unable to do so this Sunday. The band will be assisted by Mrs. Jesse Longfield, who will sing two solos, and Corporal Willis will play a clarinet solo. The concert will take place at the usual hour in the Royal Victoria theatre.

Prohibition Address.—An address on the social and economic aspects of prohibition will be delivered by Rev. A. E. Smith, under the auspices of the People's Prohibition movement in the old Victoria theatre on Saturday February 12 at 8 p. m. Rev. Mr. Smith, who was formerly a clergyman in the Kootenays, is a keen student of social and economic problems, and is, therefore, especially well qualified to discuss the subject of prohibition from the standpoint of the laboring man. He is touring the province in the interests of the Prohibition cause, and his meetings in the Kootenays and in the mining districts of the island have aroused great interest, and attracted large crowds. The People's Prohibition movement extends a cordial invitation to everyone to be present at the meeting.

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Central W. C. T. U.—The regular monthly meeting of the Central W. C. T. U. has been postponed until further notice.

Poster Committee.—The meeting of the Victoria Poster committee announced to take place on Saturday, has been postponed until February 19.

Choir Rehearsal.—The choir of the Emmanuel Baptist church will hold its usual rehearsal on Friday evening at the home of F. Parritt, Fernwood road.

Bridge Tea Postponed.—The Lady Douglas Chapter bridge tea which was to have been held to-morrow at the residence of Mrs. Purser has been postponed indefinitely.

First Presbyterian Church.—The annual meeting of the First Presbyterian church will likely be held next Thursday night. An announcement will be made on the subject on Sunday.

First Congregational Church.—The monthly business meeting of the First Congregational church, which was to have been held this evening, has been postponed until Thursday, Feb. 17.

Weekly Whist Drive.—The Ivy Leaf Social club will hold its weekly whist drive on Thursday in the K. of P. hall, North Park street, commencing at 8:15 p. m. Visitors will be made welcome.

Spanish and Library Grant.—The matter of payment of a grant towards the purchase of books for the public library, in view of the use which Spanish residents make of the city institution, will be taken up in the near future. The other municipalities show a disposition to contribute on the proportionate figure mentioned in the city clerk's letter last December. No doubt further reference will be given to the matter when the civic estimates are considered.

Sleighs Versus Horses.—While the thaw is very welcome to the majority of people, it carries with it some disadvantages, in that the people who are using sleighs to haul wood and coal, as well as other supplies, will be forced to resort to wheeled transportation, and that will limit the area of delivery to the sections where the snow has passed. The impression is that while the snow is moving, the deliveries of fuel will be limited to a radius of half a mile or so round the bunkers, leaving the residential districts to the special effort of the B. C. Electric railway.

Incorporation for Port Mann.—It is understood that at the coming session of the legislature a bill will be applied for to incorporate the city of Port Mann, the terminal on the Fraser river of the Canadian Northern Pacific railway. The area to be taken from Surrey district municipality for inclusion in the new city will be about 2,700 acres. Contrary to the usual practice, the first council to be named in the bill, it is understood, Port Mann is the Mackenzie-Mann townsite regarding which there is litigation proceeding at Ottawa, a company which purchased a large block in the townsite suing the railway promoters for damages for failure to make it the terminal of the line as was at first intended.

Rural Mail Deliveries.—The rural mail-delivery system has now been practically readjusted throughout the entire district after the recent disorganization through the heavy snow and drifting. The Y. & S. yesterday took out a mail to up-Peninsula points, and this morning brought in mail from the rural districts which it touches. Tonight a mail will go out by steamship to west coast points, the same vessel having brought in mails from the west coast on Monday. All the rural mail-delivery agents are reporting as near time as possible at the Victoria post office. Except in very thinly-populated suburban districts the postmen are making their two daily deliveries throughout the city, both at Oak Bay and at Esquimalt. The former municipality is helping the post office authorities by clearing paths in those places which are not immediately in front of residences.

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### TO RECOMMEND DRAW-

### BRIDGE FOR ROCK BAY

### Matter is Before Harbor Committee; Mayor Back at Office To-day

The city engineering department has alternative plans in regard to the Rock Bay bridge prepared for the harbor committee, which is holding its first meeting this afternoon. A selection may be made so that the usual preliminary steps for departmental sanction at Ottawa and for advertising in the Canada Gazette, may be proceeded with.

The plan recommended will be a draw bridge, as the simplest under the circumstances, and the most economical. Now that the Ottawa department's intentions with regard to a definite width of the span have been conveyed, there is nothing to hinder proceeding with the undertaking.

It is not known yet what progress could be made with the Johnson street bridge. No expectation exists that the work even will be started this year, particularly as steel has risen so greatly in price, due to the demand for it in war supplies. The people of Victoria would doubtless refuse to approve the passage of a by-law, but apart from this fact there are several matters which the committee can well take in hand. The council is not expected to look with indulgence on the present arrangement for options which the city has for land on the eastern approach, and better terms will probably be bargained for.

The electric light committee is also meeting to-day.

The streets committee meeting to-morrow will not be necessary. It was called on account of the snow blockade, but as the snow is moving from underneath satisfactorily, there does not appear to be any apprehension on this score. The gutters have hitherto been running freely, and the melted snow has passed away readily. In the opinion of the engineering staff, the removal by nature's way has been as good as could be expected, and it is hoped there will be no check. The old wood block pavements have suffered greatly, and some temporary repairs will be necessary to keep traffic moving.

After an absence of more than two weeks with an attack of influenza, Mayor Stewart returned to his office to-day. In his absence Alderman Porter has been in charge of the office. The whole attention of the city officials has been directed to snow conditions during the last ten days.

### ALDERMANIC INDEMNITIES

#### Two Councils of Neighboring Cities Have Cut Appropriations; Situation Here.

While the city council has not yet touched the civic estimates in which is included the usual appropriation for aldermanic salaries, other cities on the coast are showing the way in regard to retrenchment in this respect. New Westminster council immediately on taking office cut the mayor's indemnity by 20 per cent, and the aldermanic indemnities 25 per cent. Nanaimo now has followed suit and has reduced the salaries by 40 per cent.

The city council has before it a resolution of the Civic Retrenchment association asking the aldermen to cut the mayor's salary by an additional 33 1/3 per cent, and to abolish aldermanic indemnities this year. From the figure of 1912 the mayor's salary here has already been reduced 25 per cent in his worship's agreement last year. In other words the Retrenchment association's resolution would ask the mayor to revert to the salary formerly paid.

The tendency all over the province is to cut the appropriations for members of the councils, and that influence is bound to be felt in Victoria.

### FALSE CREEK AGREEMENT

#### Vancouver Council Claims That Great Northern is Not Living Up to Its Contract Regarding Station.

The Vancouver city council and the people of that city are interested in the outcome of the likely expiry of the False Creek agreement with the Great Northern railway on March 1 by reason of the non-fulfillment of the provisions which were obligatory upon the company.

The council sent Ald. Gale to interview Premier Bowser at Kamloops a few days ago and secured an interpretation of the agreement from the cabinet, but what this is is not being divulged until the railway's officials are made acquainted with it.

It has already been stated, however, that the government holds the railway company is bound to erect a station building in Vancouver on the False Creek site, at a cost of \$500,000. It is claimed by the city authorities that the plans sent over here for approval involved a building which would not cost more than half that sum.

Just what steps the government intends taking in the event of the railway company not living up to it, a recent will not be known until the beginning of next month, when the agreement expires by non-fulfillment, it is argued.

To Watch Legislation.—It is stated that the Union of Canadian Municipalities has agreed to co-operate with the provincial union in watching legislation on behalf of the B. C. Telephone company, which is seeking a Dominion charter. The secretary of the Canadian Union has so notified the officials of the provincial union.

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Clever comedy acrobatic artists appearing all this week at Pantages theatre.

ign novelist whose only object in making love to her is the hope of eventually accomplishing her downfall. The reawakening of the unsuspecting husband, the revenge which a former victim of the wily schemer wreaks, and the saving of the innocent woman are fraught with thrills and dramatic suspense in abundance.

be presented to the provincial government. J. Burt Morgan, who attended a meeting of the provincial executive of the movement last Saturday, said that it had been decided to ask the premier to name a date when he would receive a deputation of prohibitionists, if possible on or about February 25.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

All personal items sent by mail for publication must be signed with the name and address of the sender. C. S. M. Gould, of Vancouver, is at the Dominion. D. C. Stuart, Sopke, is a guest of the Dominion hotel. Miss F. E. Legg is staying at the Hotel Strathcona. Geo. S. Garrett, of Pender Island, is at the Hotel Strathcona. Mrs. Winnie Walton, of Seattle, is stopping at the Dominion. Charles Beck, of Revelstoke, is a guest of the Dominion hotel. Miss Anna E. Goddard, of Scamou, is registered at the Dominion. A. W. Drake of Ganges, registered at the Dominion hotel yesterday. Frank A. Whitlow, of Kitsela, B.C., is stopping at the Dominion hotel. E. H. Adams has arrived at the Hotel Strathcona from the mainland. Mrs. J. B. Watson, of Calgary, registered at the Empress hotel yesterday. G. W. Milne is registered from Seattle, Wash., at the Hotel Strathcona. H. Barker has arrived from Africa and is staying at the Hotel Strathcona. C. T. Chapman is down from Genoa Bay and is stopping at the Dominion hotel. Mr. and Mrs. R. Knox Houlgate, of Vancouver, are guests at the Empress hotel. James D. Cameron and Mrs. Cameron, of Calgary, are at the Dominion hotel. Mr. and Mrs. James H. Lawson, of Vancouver, are staying at the Empress hotel. G. T. Pethuan, of North Yakima, Wash., is registered at the Hotel Strathcona. Vancouver arrivals at the Empress hotel yesterday included J. J. Forster and R. Helme. A. Protheroe and James Moore, of Vancouver, were among yesterday's arrivals at the Dominion.

The Gift Centre. Useful Things For Military Men. Photo Holders from 50¢. Pencils from 25¢. Unbreakable Mirrors 50¢. Money Belts \$1.50. Wrist Watches from \$2.75. Military Hair Brushes in case, from \$3.25. Should you purchase Gifts for men at the front or on the seas—we attend to the mailing. Shortt, Hill & Duncan, Ltd. At the Sign of the Four Eagles. Central Building, View and Broad Streets.

PROHIBITION MOVEMENT

Workers' Conference Held Last Night to Speed Up Signing of Petitions. A workers' conference in connection with the People's Prohibition movement was held last evening with the object of speeding up the canvass for signatures to the petition which is to

The friends of G. Glover, 243 Quadra street will regret to learn that he is still very ill with pneumonia. Very quietly, in the vestry of the First Presbyterian church, the marriage took place yesterday of Miss Annie Caldwell, of this city, and Sergt. R. Moffat. The bride looked well in a becoming traveling suit of blue cloth with hat en suite. She was attended by Miss Agnes Bell. The best man was Corp. Myers. After the ceremony there was a wedding breakfast at the home of the bride's brother, and later Sergt. and Mrs. Moffat left by boat for Vancouver, where they will spend a short honeymoon. On their return they will live at 2321 Cook street. St. Mary's church, Oak Bay, was the scene of a military wedding at 1 o'clock yesterday when Rev. G. H. Andrews, chaplain to the forces, united in marriage Miss Mary Gallie, of Victoria, formerly of Ross-shire, Scotland, and Sergt. Francis Surridge Williams, of the 6th Battalion Western Scots. The bride, who was unattended, wore a chic traveling costume of blue serge with hat to match. She was given away by J. H. Rosemergy. The best man was Scout-Sergt. Johnstone, also of the 6th Battalion. As the newly-married couple left the church the Mendelssohn Wedding March was played by the organist. Later they caught the afternoon boat for Vancouver, where the honeymoon is being spent. Among those who were present at the marriage celebration were, Mrs.

Gordon Snydale Limited. Authentic New Models in Women's Spring Suits and Hats. Await the inspection of those who wish to become acquainted with the new season's fashions. Intending purchasers will find our assortments more replete than is usual at this date. VIEW THE NEW STYLES Investigate These Splendid Silk Values. 27-inch Natural Pongee Silk, very firm weave and free from dressing. Special, per yard 30¢. 34-inch Natural Pongee Silk, superior quality, will wash well. Special, per yard 40¢. WHITE INDIA SILKS. 36-inch wide. A splendid fabric for making underwear, blouses and dresses. Special, per yard 65¢. 36-inch wide. Heavy quality, strongly recommended for wear. Special, per yard \$1.00. 36-inch wide. A very heavy quality, suitable for making tailored blouses. Special, per yard \$1.25. Remarkable values in White Crepe de Chine, 40 inches wide. Special, per yard \$1.25. Pekin Stripe White Crepe de Chine, 40 inches wide. Special, per yard \$1.50. White Floral Crepe de Chine, very heavy quality, 27 inches wide. Special, per yard \$2.00. 755 Yates Street, Victoria. 575 Granville Street, Vancouver. Phone 1876

Blood was like Water Anaemia. You cut your finger and the wound is slow to heal. The blood is watery and fails to form a clot. The lips and gums are pale. You are anaemic. This condition is best overcome by using Dr. Chase's Nerve Food. In this food cure there are combined in concentrated form the elements that go to form new, rich, red blood. The appetite is sharpened, digestion improves, color and strength return, and you rid yourself of weakness and many annoying derangements. 50 cts. a box, 6 for \$2.50. All dealers, or Edmanson, Bates & Co., Ltd., Toronto. Dr. Chase's Nerve Food. "Will you let me off this afternoon, sir?" asked the clerk in a dry goods store; "my wife wants me to beat some carpets." "Couldn't possibly do it," said the manager. The clerk turned joyfully to his work, saying, "Thank you, sir. Thank you a thousand times."

PANTAGES THEATRE ALL THIS WEEK. The Great IMPERIAL TROUPE. Comedy and Trick Cycling, Aerial Basketball on Wheels. Also: Grace McCormick; Steiner Trio; Rice and Newton. FRANK BUSH. The CANNIBAL MAIDS. South Sea Romance, With Gus Elmore. PERFORMANCES: Matinee, 3. Night, 7.15 and 9.

HEALTH. We want all our customers to know the real food value of "Squirrel" Brand Peanut Butter. Consult any up-to-date cook book as to the value of Nuts for part of your diet. Include some in your order to-morrow. The All-the-Year-Round Food. Copas & Young. Anti-Combine Grocers. Corner Fort and Broad Streets. Silver Spring Beer, 2 qts. for 25¢.

SCHOOL BOARD TO-DAY. Routine Business Being Transacted; Victoria West School Grounds. The city school board is meeting this afternoon to receive the accounts for the past month and transact routine business. The board is expecting to receive a deputation from the Victoria West residents, backed by a petition extensively signed, asking for the trustees to put the school grounds in shape. This district is entitled to special treatment, as there is no public park for the children to play, and since blasting has been in progress on the old reserve it has become a dangerous playground for the children of the district. A committee of the trustees was appointed at the last meeting to revise the by-laws, but no opportunity has yet presented itself to go into the matter yet. No man is poor that does not think himself so.—Jeremy Taylor.

ROYAL VICTORIA THEATRE. To-Night, Friday and Saturday. Matinee 2-5. Admission 10c. Evening 6.30-11. Admission 10c and 15c. The Great War Drama ENGLAND'S MENACE. Prepared with the co-operation of the BRITISH ARMY and NAVY AUTHORITIES as a warning to their country. "ENGLAND'S MENACE" is bound to stir the imagination of the most unpatriotic individual, and will teach a powerful lesson of the necessity for preparedness.

COLUMBIA Theatre. VAUDEVILLE. ALOHA HAWAIIAN TRIO. Singers and Dancers. THE LE RÁDOS. Novelty Acrobats. MIRACLE AND NOBLE. 26th Century Musicians. JULIA RAYMOND. English Comedienne. 5 REELS OF PICTURES. Country Store Friday.

PICTURES OF BRITISH NAVY. In "England's Menace," the sensational film showing at the Royal Victoria theatre, are splendid views of British battleships and smaller war craft preparing for action. The above picture shows a famous British destroyer, one of "the eyes of the navy," traveling at full speed.

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**A Cozy Little Home**  
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**AT A SACRIFICE**  
Six-roomed modern bungalow in best part of Fairfield. Corner lot, 50x120. Harbinger avenue and Fairfield road. Owner forced to sell. This is what you are getting:  
Bungalow, with paneled walls, fireplaces, gas, etc. Cost \$2,300.00  
Stone wall around property, worth 500.00  
Furnace to be installed by owner 75.00  
All furniture contained in house, cost 600.00  
Corner lot, high location, good view, cost owner, 2,500.00  
\$6,875.00  
**Price Only, \$4,500**  
Easy terms.  
Don't fail to have a look at this.  
**SWINERTON & MUSGRAVE**  
Winch Bldg., 610 Fort St.

**FINDS NO TRACE OF FISHING VESSEL**  
Lighthouse Tender Estevan Cruises Along West Coast of Queen Charlotte Islands  
Although the Dominion lighthouse tender Estevan, Captain Barnes, has already carried out a long cruise in search of the missing fishing steamer Onward Ho, no trace has been found of the overdue vessel.  
The Estevan left here on Saturday morning and proceeded to Nanaimo, and after taking on coal took up the search for the Onward Ho. The tender has reported reaching the north end of the Queen Charlotte Islands, but has failed to discover any trace of the missing steamer. The Estevan searched along the west coast of the islands and did not sight the fishing vessel.  
It is now nearly three weeks since the Onward Ho, which belongs to the British Columbia Packers' association, left Yakutat, Alaska, having sailed from that port thirty hours ahead of the steamer New England, which arrived at Vancouver from the north on January 23. The steamer Manhattan reached Vancouver a day later than the New England, having been storm-bound at Yakutat for five days after the Onward Ho left.  
A fishing schooner which put in at Prince Rupert recently reported thrilling experiences on the Alaskan banks, and told of sighting the Onward Ho. At that time the Onward Ho was badly leeward and was down at the head. The propeller was racing owing to the heavy weight of ice on the forward part of the steamer.  
The theory has been advanced that the Onward Ho may have lost her propeller during the storms which have been raging off the Alaskan coast and in an unmanageable condition might have been swept out to sea and away from the tracks of any steamers or fishing boats engaged in the northern waters.



Several British submarines have been interfering considerably recently with German trade in the Baltic sea, in addition to making successful attacks on enemy vessels of war.

Extract from "BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL" March 23, 1907.  
**"A Most Valuable Food"**  
At a time when the preparation of artificial foodstuffs is receiving more attention than ever before, and when new forms of easily assimilable fat to take the place of cod liver oil are being frequently brought to the notice of the medical profession, it is desirable that some of the older forms of administering natural fats should not be lost sight of. Among natural fats, butter easily takes first place for nutritive value, and when combined with a suitable soluble carbohydrate, a most valuable food is produced.  
The BUTTER SCOTCH which Messrs Callard & Bowser (Duke's Road, Euster Road, W. C.) have prepared for fifty years is such an article, which has the great advantage of being palatable, so palatable in fact, that children are more likely to need restraining from excess than any persuading to take it. This BUTTER SCOTCH is stated to contain 11.7 per cent of fat and 7.2 per cent of sugar, and the results of an analysis which we have made recently of a specimen substantially confirm these figures; further chemical examination of the fat extracted showed it to be genuine butter fat. This confection can therefore be recommended not only as a harmless sweetmeat, but also as a very useful addition to the diet in suitable cases.  
In all the Principal Confection Stores in Victoria.

**NEW STEAMSHIP LINE.**  
Salem, Ore., Feb. 10.—With a capitalization of \$5,000,000, the Oriental Alliance Steamship company, of Portland, filed articles of incorporation here.  
Peter D. Milloy, one of the incorporators, said that the company intends to operate eleven or more vessels between Portland and other coast points and the Orient. A line between the Pacific and Atlantic coast through the canal may also be established.

**IDE MARU ARRIVES FROM THE ORIENT**  
Freighter to Land 2,000 Tons Here; Tacoma Maru Will Be in To-morrow  
The Osaka Shosen Kaisha freighter Ide Maru, which has been expected to arrive from the Orient since Monday, reached the quarantine station early this afternoon, and later came into the outer wharf, where she will discharge 2,000 tons of freight for this port.  
The Tacoma Maru, of the same line, will arrive at the quarantine station at midnight, and will put in at the outer wharf about 9 o'clock to-morrow morning to land 600 tons of freight. She has one passenger.  
Another O. S. K. liner, the Manila Maru, sailed from Yokohama on February 4 and is due here next Thursday. She has twenty-six steerage passengers for Victoria, and seven cabin and 140 storage passengers for Seattle.  
The Nippon Yusen Kaisha liner Sado Maru is due to arrive at this port from the Orient on Sunday.

**NINE VESSELS LOST DURING THE WAR**  
Col. Allan Submits Report at Annual Meeting of Shipping Federation of Canada  
Montreal, Feb. 10.—At the annual meeting of the Shipping Federation of Canada, which was held yesterday, it was reported by the president, Colonel Andrew A. Allan, that only nine vessels entered and affiliated with the federation in the Canadian trade had been lost through the operations of German submarines during the past year. These nine vessels, not specified, had a gross tonnage of 37,145.  
War measures took up a large portion of Colonel Allan's report, it being shown that owing to the requisitioning of so many vessels for war service the passenger trade had fallen off considerably, both east and westbound. The total number of seagoing vessels to arrive here last year was reported as 819, a decrease of 106 from the previous year.  
Colonel Allan was re-elected president, J. R. Binning was chosen for treasurer and Thomas Robb was appointed manager and secretary.

**STEAMER SALVOR RETURNS TO GULF**  
Sailed This Afternoon to Resume Work on the Stranded Steamer Kenkon Maru  
The B. C. Salvage company's steamer Salvor, which returned from the scene of the stranding of the Kenkon Maru on Saturday, left the inner harbor this afternoon and proceeded to the Gulf of Georgia to resume salvaging operations.  
The Salvor was forced to suspend work owing to the northern gales which had been experienced at the scene of the wreck for many days, and came back to port to await the advent of more favorable weather. During the storms the vessels engaged in the work were forced on several occasions to take shelter in Horton Bay, which is the headquarters of the operations. Under such conditions it was deemed advisable to suspend work until the wind changed, as there was always the danger of disaster overtaking the steamers engaged in salvaging work. The Alaska remained on watch near the scene of the wreck and now there will be a resumption of operations.  
The Kenkon Maru is resting on two ledges of rocks, and in spite of the heavy seas has been standing up well. Already 600 tons of her cargo have been lightered and sent in scows to Seattle for transshipment to Vladivostok.

**WANTED**  
The Names and Addresses of all **BLIND PEOPLE** in or Near-by This Municipality.  
Blinded persons knowing of their addresses will confer a favor in communicating the same to us.  
**Dominion Textile Press**  
Publishers of FREE Books and Magazines for the **BLIND**  
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**TO COMMAND PUEBLA.**  
Capt. Thomas Johnson, well known master in the Pacific Coast Steamship company's service, will command the steamship City of Puebla on her approaching voyage from San Francisco to Hongkong and other Oriental ports under charter to Struthers & Dixon.  
**VISIT OF RAILWAY MEN.**  
L. F. Jones, general passenger agent of the Vanderbilt lines; H. D. Hennis, traveling passenger agent of the Erie Railway; and Thos. L. Hammer, who occupies a similar position with the Pennsylvania railway, came over from Seattle yesterday on a business trip.  
**FOR TRAINING SHIP.**  
The old United States battleship Oregon is to be turned over to the California naval militia February 15, and end a memorable career. The Oregon, in company with the South Dakota, arrived at San Francisco yesterday.

**WIRELESS REPORT**  
Feb. 10, 8 a.m.  
Point Grey—Overcast; S. E., fresh; 29.55; 40.  
Cape Lazo—Rain, S. E., strong; 29.31; 40; sea rough.  
Pachena—Rain, S. gale; 29.00; 28; sea rough.  
Estevan—Rain, S. E., strong; 29.20; 40; sea rough.  
Alert Bay—Cloudy; S. E. gale; 29.03; 26; sea rough. Out. Prince John, 3.45 a.m., southbound; Chica, abeam Garden, 5.35 a.m., northbound.  
Triangle—Foggy, drizzle, S. W.; 29.06; 40; sea moderate.  
Dead Tree Point—Cloudy, calm; 29.08; 28; sea smooth.  
Ikeda—Snow, rail, N. E. 51/2 gale; 28.68; 42; sea rough.  
Prince Rupert—Snow, S. E., strong; 29.10; 28; sea moderate.  
Noon.  
Point Grey—Overcast; S. E., fresh; 29.60; 40.  
Cape Lazo—Overcast; S. E., strong; 29.40; 45; sea rough.  
Pachena—Rain; S. W., strong; 29.13; 40; sea rough.  
Estevan—Rain; S. E.; 29.35; 40; sea rough.  
Alert Bay—Cloudy; S. E., gale; 29.12; 29; sea rough. Venture out northbound 5.30 a.m. Spoke Princess Sophia due 1.30 p.m.  
Triangle—Misty; S. W.; 29.42; 31; sea moderate.  
Dead Tree Point—Cloudy; calm; 29.28; 29; sea smooth.  
Ikeda—Snow, rail, N. E., strong; 28.94; 33; sea rough.  
Prince Rupert—Snow; N. E., strong; 29.13; 30; sea moderate. Passed in Prince Rupert at 3.50 a.m.

**SERVED ON THIS STATION**  
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**BARCELONA WILL BE MADE FREE PORT**  
Madrid, Feb. 10.—The government is about to make Barcelona a free port.  
Barcelona, in Northeastern Spain, is the principal port of entry of that country on the Mediterranean. Almost one-fourth of Spain's commerce passes through Barcelona, which is exceeded only by Cadiz in the volume of this business. In 1910, 1,562 steamships of 2,463,000 tons burden entered this port exclusive of coastwise steamers. The principal imports are coal, grain and cotton. The chief exports are wine, oil and cork.  
**SEAMAN LEAPS OVERBOARD.**  
In tow of the tug Richard Holyoke, the French barque La Fontaine arrived at Seattle yesterday from Port Nolloth, South Africa, with the news that Francois Mace, one of her seamen, became demented and jumped overboard January 18 while the vessel was beating her way northward off the Pacific coast. The seaman plunged overboard without warning and disappeared in a choppy sea. Efforts to rescue him proved unavailing and he sank to death in the ocean. The barque will load a full cargo of wheat at Seattle for Europe.  
**TO RESUME WORK.**  
The Dominion lighthouse tender Leebro will sail tonight or to-morrow morning to resume lighthouse and buoy duty. She will install an acetylene beacon buoy on Idol Point, Seaford's Channel. The Quadra, which was on the ways having her propeller changes, was launched yesterday and will resume work in the Gulf of Georgia next week.  
**NORWEGIAN STEAMER SUNK.**  
Deal, Eng., Feb. 10.—The Norwegian steamer Curraet, registering 1,054 tons, has been sunk in a collision, according to announcement here to-day. The crew was saved.

**TIMES SHIPPING CHART**

DEEP SEA ARRIVALS					
Steamer	Master	Tonnage	Agents	From	Due
Ide Maru	Hamada	3,390	R. P. Rithet	Hongkong	Feb. 10
Tacoma Maru	Hamada	3,390	R. P. Rithet	Hongkong	Feb. 10
Makura	Phillips	4,921	C. P. R.	Sydney	Feb. 11
Sado Maru	Asakawa	3,900	G. Northern	Hongkong	Feb. 11
Inaho Maru	R. P. Rithet	3,390	R. P. Rithet	Hongkong	Feb. 10
Hawaii Maru	Saito	3,390	R. P. Rithet	Hongkong	Feb. 10
Empress of Japan	L. Davison	3,500	C. P. R.	Hongkong	Feb. 21
Awa Maru	Hori	3,250	C. P. R.	Hongkong	Feb. 21
Niagara	Phillips	4,921	C. P. R.	Sydney	March 10
Monteagle	Halley	3,900	C. P. R.	Hongkong	March 10
Empress of Russia	W. Davison	3,789	C. P. R.	Hongkong	April 9
Empress of Asia	Robinson	5,834	C. P. R.	Hongkong	May 7

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COASTWISE SERVICES				
For Vancouver	From Comox	For Prince Rupert	From Skagway	For Holberg
Steamer Princess Victoria leaves daily at 2.30 p. m., and steamer Princess Mary daily at 11.45 p. m.	Steamer Charmer arrives every Sunday.	Steamers Prince Rupert and Prince John leave Tuesdays and Fridays at 10 a. m.	Steamers Prince Rupert and Prince John arrive Mondays and Fridays at 6 a. m.	Steamer Princess May leaves Feb. 13, March 3, 14, and 24.
For Vancouver	For Prince Rupert	For Skagway	For Holberg	For Clayoquot
Steamer Princess Adelaide arrives daily at 3 p. m., and steamer Princess Alice at 6.30 a. m.	Steamers Prince Rupert and Prince John leave Tuesdays and Fridays at 10 a. m.	Steamer Princess May leaves Feb. 13, March 3, 14, and 24.	Steamer Tees leaves on first and twentieth of each month.	Steamer Tees arrives on seventh and twenty-seventh of each month.
For Seattle	For Skagway	For Holberg	For Clayoquot	For Clayoquot
Steamer Princess Adelaide leaves daily at 4.30 p. m.	Steamer Princess May leaves Feb. 13, March 3, 14, and 24.	Steamer Tees leaves on first and twentieth of each month.	Steamer Tees leaves on tenth of each month.	Steamer Tees arrives on thirteenth of each month.
For Port Angeles	For Skagway	For Holberg	For Clayoquot	For Clayoquot
Steamer Sol Duo leaves daily except Sunday at 11.30 a. m.	Steamer Princess May arrives Feb. 13 and 27, March 13 and 27.	Steamer Tees leaves on first and twentieth of each month.	Steamer Tees leaves on tenth of each month.	Steamer Tees arrives on thirteenth of each month.
For Port Angeles	For Skagway	For Holberg	For Clayoquot	For Clayoquot
Steamer Sol Duo arrives daily except Sunday at 9 a. m.	Steamer Princess May arrives Feb. 13 and 27, March 13 and 27.	Steamer Tees leaves on first and twentieth of each month.	Steamer Tees leaves on tenth of each month.	Steamer Tees arrives on thirteenth of each month.
For San Francisco	For Skagway	For Holberg	For Clayoquot	For Clayoquot
Steamers President and Governor alternate every Friday at 5 p. m.	Steamer Princess May arrives Feb. 13 and 27, March 13 and 27.	Steamer Tees leaves on first and twentieth of each month.	Steamer Tees leaves on tenth of each month.	Steamer Tees arrives on thirteenth of each month.
For Comox	For Skagway	For Holberg	For Clayoquot	For Clayoquot
Steamer Charmer leaves every Tuesday at 8 a. m.	Steamer Princess May arrives Feb. 13 and 27, March 13 and 27.	Steamer Tees leaves on first and twentieth of each month.	Steamer Tees leaves on tenth of each month.	Steamer Tees arrives on thirteenth of each month.

**WILL CARRY SUPPLIES.**  
The steamer Gray, which arrived at Port Alberni on Monday, from San Francisco, has gone to Vancouver to discharge salt and is expected to return to port on Saturday. On arrival here she will begin taking on supplies for the whaling stations and will then sail for Naden Harbor.  
**HAS CARGO OF SUGAR.**  
Bound for Vancouver to discharge a cargo of sugar brought from Fiji, the Union Line freighter Waimarino cleared from San Francisco late yesterday.



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**To England**  
Via Canadian Pacific Railway, in connection with following sailings from St. John, N. B., and New York.  
RATES  
First, Second, Third  
S. S. SICILIAN, from St. John... \$50.00 \$33.75 ..... Feb. 11  
S. S. ADRIATIC, from New York... \$100.00 37.50 ..... Feb. 12  
S. S. ORDUNA, from New York... 100.00 37.50 ..... Feb. 19  
S. S. FINLAND, from New York... 85.00 60.00 37.50 ..... Feb. 23  
S. S. FINLAND, from New York... 85.00 60.00 37.50 ..... Feb. 26  
S. S. CYPRIC, from New York... 50.00 37.50 ..... Mar. 3  
S. S. PRETORIAN, from St. John... 62.50 37.50 ..... Mar. 4  
S. S. LAPLAND, from New York... 85.00 60.00 37.50 ..... Mar. 8  
Passports enabling British subjects to enter United Kingdom now being issued by Dominion Government Emigration Agents.  
Baggage checked to Liverpool via St. John, or your cabin on ship via New York in bond.  
For steamer and sleeping car reservation write or call on  
**L. D. CHETHAM, 1102 Government Street**  
General Agent All Atlantic Lines

**BRITISH STEAMERS CARRYING LUMBER**  
Greystake Castle Has Arrived at Portland and Will Be Followed by the St. Vincent  
Portland, Feb. 10.—Coming from Vladivostok, the British steamer Greystake Castle, has arrived to load 3,000,000 feet of lumber for London. She is under charter to A. F. Thane & Co.  
The Greystake Castle completed the passage from the Siberian port in 21 days, which proved uneventful. She began loading soon after her arrival and will be given quick dispatch.  
Within the next few days the British steamer St. Veronica is scheduled to arrive from Vladivostok. She also will transport a cargo of fir to Europe. The steamer will load at Westport and will clear with more than 3,500,000 feet.  
Mitsui & Co. have just chartered the Japanese steamer Nichiyu Maru to load in the Island Empire for Portland. A short time ago the same firm engaged the Japanese steamer Tami Maru to bring a cargo from the Orient to Portland.  
It is announced that the Nichiyu Maru will leave Japan for Portland in April. The company plans to send the Tami Maru from here to Puget Sound to load for the return trip to the Orient.

**Through Steamers to San Francisco, Los Angeles, San Diego**  
Leave Victoria Fridays 5 p. m., E. S. President or Governor.  
Leave Seattle Tuesdays, 11 a. m., S. S. Congress or Queen.  
To Alaska  
S. S. Spokane  
Leave Seattle Feb. 19, March 1.  
Calling at Prince Rupert, Ketchikan, Wrangell, Juneau, Skagway.  
R. P. Rithet & Co. 1117 Wharf St.  
R. L. OSBORNE, 1003 Government St.

**SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE**  
Victoria, Feb. 9.—Passed: Str. El Lobo, from Lobitos, for Vancouver; Nausaimo, B. C., Feb. 9.—Arrived: Bqn. Star of Poland, from San Francisco, in tow of tug Hercules; str. Thor, from San Francisco.  
Monterey, Feb. 9.—Arrived: Str. Frank H. Buck, from Point Wells, at 9 a. m.  
Tacoma, Feb. 9.—Arrived: Stra. Bee and Admiral Schley, from Seattle; str. Thomas L. Ward, from Eagle Harbor, at 4.30 p. m.; str. Kumi Maru, from Vancouver, B. C.; str. Cordova, from Alaska, at 7 a. m. Sailed: Str. Eastholm, for British Columbia ports.  
San Francisco, Feb. 9.—Arrived: Jap. str. Seattle Maru, from Kobe; str. Northland, from Everett; str. Adeline Smith, from Cops Bay; str. Daisy Putnam, from the Columbia river. Sailed: str. W. S. Porter, for Seattle; str. Wellfleet, for Tacoma.  
Portland, Ore., Feb. 9.—Arrived: Stra. Beaver, Multnomah and San Ramon, from San Francisco.  
Astoria, Ore., Feb. 9.—Arrived: Str. schra. Wilamette and Tamalpais, from San Francisco. Sailed: Str. Sch. Olympic, for San Pedro; str. Breakwater, for San Francisco.  
Seattle, Feb. 9.—Arrived: Str. Bee, San Francisco; str. Admiral Schley, San Francisco; bqe. La Fontaine, Port Nolloth, thence November 2, in tow of tug Richard Holyoke; str. Latouche, Port Blakeley; str. Admiral Farragut, Port Blakeley; str. Fulton, British Columbia ports; bqn. E. R. Sterling, Eagle Harbor, towing. Sailed: Str. Admiral Farragut, Southwestern, via Southeastern Alaska; str. Spokane, Southeastern Alaska; str. Amur, towing bqe. John C. Potter, Amox, B. C., via Blubber Bay, B. C.; bqe. Barracouta, str. Amox, B. C., in tow of tug Arctic; str. Admiral Schley, Tacoma; str. Alameda, Port Blakeley; str. Bee, Tacoma.  
Callao, Feb. 8.—Arrived: Str. Fal-

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Sailings from Vancouver for PRINCE RUPERT, GRANBY BAY, SKEENA and NAAS RIVERS, S. S. "VENTURE" every Friday, 9 a. m.  
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Leave C. P. R. wharf daily except Sunday at 11.30 a. m., for Port Angeles, Dungeness, Port Wilkes, Port Townsend and Seattle, arriving Seattle 2.30 p. m. Returning, leave Seattle daily except Saturday at midnight, arriving Victoria 9.00 a. m.  
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**TIDE TABLE**  
February.

Date	Time	High	Time	Low	Time	High	Time	Low
	h. m.	ft.	h. m.	ft.	h. m.	ft.	h. m.	ft.
1	10:54	9.9	12:00	9.7	1:40	6.6	3:02	0.7
2	10:22	8.4	12:06	9.3	1:40	5.1	3:02	1.1
3	9:16	8.2	12:14	7.8	1:40	3.3	2:40	1.1
4	8:06	8.1	12:16	7.1	1:40	1.8	2:14	1.8
5	6:53	8.2	12:16	6.4	1:35	0.1	2:24	2.8
6	5:39	8.3	12:17	5.7	1:24	7.4	2:30	3.8
7	4:26	8.4	12:19	5.0	1:10	6.7	2:39	4.8
8	3:15	8.5	12:23	4.5	1:00	6.2	2:48	5.8
9	2:05	8.8	12:26	4.1	1:28	3.9	2:57	6.8
10	1:00	9.1	12:28	3.8	1:31	3.5	3:06	7.8
11	0:00	9.5	12:28	3.5	1:28	3.1	3:15	8.8
12	0:00	9.9	12:27	3.2	1:25	2.5	3:24	9.8
13	6:10	8.7	12:25	3.0	1:20	2.0	3:33	10.8
14	5:05	8.6	12:22	2.8	1:15	1.5	3:42	11.8
15	4:01	8.1	12:18	2.6	1:10	1.0	3:51	12.8
16	3:00	8.0	12:17	2.5	1:05	0.5	4:00	13.8
17	2:03	8.0	12:17	2.4	1:00	0.0	4:09	14.8
18	1:10	7.7	12:16	2.3	1:00	0.1	4:18	15.8
19	0:20	7.5	12:16	2.2	1:00	0.2	4:27	16.8
20	0:30	7.5	12:16	2.1	1:00	0.3	4:36	17.8
21	0:44	7.6	12:16	2.1	1:00	0.4	4:45	18.8
22	0:59	7.8	12:16	2.1	1:00	0.5	4:54	19.8
23	1:14	8.1	12:16	2.1	1:00	0.6	5:03	20.8
24	1:30	8.5	12:16	2.1	1:00	0.7	5:12	21.8
25	1:46	8.8	12:16	2.1	1:00	0.8	5:21	22.8
26	2:02	9.1	12:16	2.1	1:00	0.9	5:30	23.8
27	2:18	9.3	12:16	2.1	1:00	1.0	5:39	24.8
28	2:34	9.5	12:16	2.1	1:00	1.1	5:48	25.8
29	2:50	9.6	12:16	2.1	1:00	1.2	5:57	26.8
30	3:06	9.6	12:16	2.1	1:00	1.3	6:06	27.8

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Bill Wise



## GARDEN CITY SNAP

An extra well-built bungalow of five rooms, bath and pantry, cement basement, septic tank, piped for furnace, all fenced, high and dry. Only one minute from car line. Two lots, size 132x132. Many built-in features. To be sold on terms for \$2,750

## P. R. BROWN

1112 Broad St.  
Money to Loan Insurance Written.

### OBITUARY RECORD

The funeral of Margaret Emma Wale, the three-months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick R. Wale, whose death occurred last Monday, will take place from the B. C. Funeral parlors.

### Answers to Times Want Ads.

The following replies are waiting to be called for:

122, 97, 985, 1122, 1143, 1152, 1214, 1226, 1300, 1314, 1342, 1346, 1352, 1367, 1377, 1384, 1394, 1403, 1414, 1425, 1426, 1461, 2003, 2222, 2738, 2742, 2772, 2818.

### TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

**DIGNITARIANS**—Life is a good deal like a woman and it pays to be decent to the fellow who is down, for he may be up to-morrow. Diggon Printing Co., 706 Yates St. Wedding cards and cake boxes. \$19

**FOR SATISFACTION** in shoe repairing. Try Arthur Hibbs, 615 Troncup Ave., opposite Colist Building. Phone 4162.

**OFFICERS**—Inspect our Sam Brown belts at \$5.50. The best value in the city. Cooper & Potts.

**FOUND**—At Murdoch's Pandora mart, bargains in dresses, blouses, ranges and furniture of all descriptions.

**SEND THEM TO THE BOYS** at the front—A package of tobacco free with a good 5c. French cigar. 1915. Send to Cigar Store, Union Bank Building, 510 View St. \$11

**WANTED**—Incubator, about 100 eggs. Apply Box 1472, Times. \$16

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**WANTED**—Unfurnished bungalow, 4 rooms and bath; must be fronting the sea. Reply Fairbairn, Metropolis hotel, \$12

**EXCHANGE**—Property in Victoria for improved section on the prairie. Renting and insurance a specialty. Northwest Real Estate, 719 Yates, Finch Bldg. \$12

**TO RENT**—New 7-roomed house, with furnace, close to Fowling Waterfront, only \$12.50. Dalby & Lawson, 615 Port St. \$12

**WILL** anyone loan a soldier's wife twenty-five dollars; return payable five dollars per month. Send small interest. Box 1475, Times Office. \$12

**FOR SALE**—Baby grand Heintzman 1817 upright, cheap, monthly payments. 1817 Quadra. \$12

**LOST**—Black collie dog, answers to Prince, playful disposition. Reward on returning to 945 View St., or phone 5451. \$12

**FOUND**—An English setter dog, black on one side of head. Owner can find same by phoning 344. \$12

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**STRAYED** from 1616 Fairfield Rd., white Spitz dog, blind one eye. Finder will be rewarded by notifying the above address. \$12

**FOR SALE**—Team of heavy horses, harness and wagon; work single or double, about 3,000 lbs. Also some fine White Leghorn and Rhode Island chicks, cheap. A. Stewart, Lake Hill P. O. \$18

**LOST**—Young dog, half collie and retriever; answers to name of Mac; tag No. 35 on collar. Finder please write 24 Wilson St. \$12

**OFFICIAL** Sam Brown Belts, best material, best workmanship, made to your measure, only \$7.00. Modern Shoe Co., Cor. Yates and Govt. St. \$19

**LOST**—Green leather purse, containing money and English sovereign, also important papers. Phone 33161. Reward. \$12

### DIED

**SMITH**—On 7th inst., at Jubilee Hospital, Sara O., wife of Chipman H. Smith, forwarding agent, Ashcroft. B. C. died of pneumonia. Deceased, Sara O. King, was born 51 years ago near Truro, Nova Scotia. Remains repose at Thompson's Funeral Chapel, 527 Pandora avenue.

Funeral arrangements have been made for Friday afternoon at 2.30, from Thompson's Chapel at Ross Bay, Rev. J. B. Warnick officiating.

**GARNSON-WILLIAMS**—On 8th February, Captain Aymor Garnson-Williams, B. N., of Oak Hill House, Horgan, Sussex, son of the late Reverend Prebendary Garnson-Williams, of Abercrombie, Brecon, South Wales.

**SILVER**—On the 9th February, 1916, at the residence, 89 Craigflower road, Mary beloved wife of J. P. Silver, aged 63 years, born Point Micheman, Richmond City, Cape Breton. Besides her husband, one daughter, Mrs. J. H. Tierney, two sons, Rev. John F. and Hy. A. Silver, and four grandchildren, survive.

The remains are resting at the B. C. Funeral Chapel, 734 Broughton street, from where the funeral will take place on Saturday, February 12th, at 8.45, service being held in St. Andrew's Roman Catholic Cathedral at 9 o'clock. Interment in Ross Bay Cemetery.

**MERRYFIELD**—On the 8th inst., at the residence, 1228 Rudlin street, Elizabeth Mary, beloved wife of William J. Merryfield, aged 65 years, born at Truro, Cornwall, England.

The remains are resting at the B. C. Funeral Chapel. Due notice of the funeral will be given.

**CASS**—At St. Joseph's Hospital, on the 9th February, 1916, James Cass, a native of England, aged 69 years.

The remains are resting at the B. C. Funeral Chapel, 734 Broughton street. Funeral will take place from the B. C. Funeral Chapel Saturday at 11 a. m. Interment at Ross Bay. No flowers, by request.

## SYNOD OF COLUMBIA MEETING NEXT WEEK

### First Session at Which Bishop Scriven Will Deliver Charge to Be Tuesday

The annual meeting of the synod of British Columbia will open next Tuesday, Feb. 15, with evensong at Christ Church cathedral at 8 p.m. The session is the first which has taken place since the elevation of Bishop Scriven to the See of Columbia, and his address to the delegates on this occasion outlining the policy of the diocese under his charge should be of special interest.

The meetings at Christ Church schoolroom on the subsequent two days, Wednesday and Thursday, will be presided over by the Bishop of Columbia. Wednesday's meeting will commence at 11 a.m., following the holding of holy communion at the Cathedral at 9.45, a service specially intended for members of the synod.

The synod will resume its session after a synod luncheon, and in the evening, at 8 o'clock, there will be a missionary meeting at Christ Church schoolroom.

Mattins will be held at 9.30 on Thursday morning, and the synod will meet half an hour later, 10 o'clock, for the regular business. Among the important matters to be brought before the annual meeting are two resolutions which will come up for confirmation, having been passed by the synod at the last annual meeting of that body.

One of these resolutions has to do with the removal of all expressions and words of canon of the Anglican synod of the diocese of British Columbia which hinder female members of the church in this diocese from being members of the vestry of the parish church which they attend, and prevent such from exercising the right of speaking and voting at all meetings of the vestry.

The second resolution coming up for confirmation has to do with the amendment of a clause on the constitution of the synod.

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## IS EXAMINING TEN OFFICERS OF 67TH

### Soldiers of No. 1 Co. Received Details of Bayley-McDonald Fight by Telegraph

Major V. Bunbury is this afternoon conducting the examination of ten officers belonging to the 67th Battalion, Western Scots, at the Willows. The class consists of two field officers, four captains and four lieutenants, who are in line for permanent appointments in the ranks stated. This examination is separate from the class of officers' instruction being conducted at Work Point by Major Dunbar. It applies only to men of the 67th.

On the arrival of the Australian boat to-morrow night the Western Scots are to provide a guard of honor to meet a distinguished traveler from Australia. The guard will consist of one hundred men under command of Major Meredith-Jones, and the pipe and brass bands of the battalion.

No. 1 company of the Western Scots being separated from the remainder of the battalion, and under orders not to leave their present quarters because of six cases of mumps which broke out in the company last week, the men were barred last night from seeing the boxing match between Bayley and McDonald. So that they should not be without news of the fight, Major Harbottle yesterday afternoon gave the Signaling Corps instructions to rig a telegraph wire from the Arena to the No. 1 company quarters.

The work was carried out under the direction of Sergt. Swan. Telegraph instruments were fixed at either end of the wire, and two operators, members of the corps, transmitted and received details of the fight as it progressed, so that No. 1 company had the full description of the contest.

## DIES SUDDENLY

### Mrs. John Lawson Drops Dead While Talking to Neighbor; Inquest Unnecessary.

While in the house of a neighbor, Mrs. Diep, 762 Princess avenue, shortly after breakfast time this morning, Mrs. Mary Jane Lawson, wife of John Lawson, 622 Prince avenue, suddenly sank into a chair and died almost instantly. The police were at once summoned and the temporary ambulance was sent to the house. The woman was quite dead, and the body was removed to the B. C. Funeral company.

The deceased was a middle-aged woman, and had not been ailing, but she had not a strong heart. It is thought that she had over-exerted herself recently. The coroner, Dr. Stanier, was notified but he did not consider it necessary to hold an inquest after he had heard the circumstances.

## BACK FROM THE FRONT.

Pte. Brown, 7th battalion, arrived in Victoria this afternoon from the front, where he was wounded. He will receive treatment at the convalescent hospital.

## DAMAGE IN SAANICH

### Several Cases of Roofs Being Broken In by Weight of Snow; Workman is Injured.

A good deal of damage is reported from Saanich farms and greenhouses as a result of the heavy snowfall, and the police believe that as soon as communication is opened up again further instances of considerable loss will be learned.

The large greenhouses owned by the Foxwell conservatories at the city end of Elk lake, on the east road, have been completely demolished as the roofs by the weight of snow. Mr. Fox-

## THREE YEARS FOR A CHINESE CRIMINAL

### Merited Sentence is Given Man Who Lived Off Earnings of Unfortunate Girl

Joe Won Loong, a former resident of the local Chinatown who has recently been living in Vancouver, was today sent to the penitentiary for a term of three years for the crime of bringing a girl from the mainland and living on the immoral gains she made.

The case was described by Magistrate Jay as one of the most revolting he had ever had to listen to, and he acceded to the request of City Prosecutor Harrison that such a sentence be given as would deter other Chinese from such courses.

Just before the case started and after the courtroom had been cleared, the attention of the magistrate was drawn to a Chinese named Lew in drawing to the Chinese for the defence. Lew instructed counsel for the defence. His worship ordered the man to be put out of court at once, remarking: "Any bad case that is before this court he is in it; he is no good."

The girl admitted that she met the accused in a Powell street rooming house. She was addicted to the use of morphine and cocaine, and when Joe asked her to come over here with him she thought it would be easier for her to get the drugs. On the day they arrived the Chinese directed her to a hotel, and on being ordered to leave this and other places he directed her to the other three hotels at which she stopped.

The accused did not work at all during the three weeks they had been here, but lived on the money she gave him. About the beginning of the month he made between \$200 and \$300 on a Friday night gambling, but he lost it all in two days, and on Monday had not five cents.

Detectives Macdonald and Murray spoke of the arrest of the accused and the girl at 513 Fisgard street. At first the girl denied ever having given money to the accused, but later admitted that she had done so, and at the station made a voluntary statement.

The accused described himself as a brickyard worker, but he said he had not done any work for a year and a half, and the condition of his hands bore out this statement, which was about the only truthful one he made. He denied having met the girl in Vancouver.

For the defence it was argued that there had been no compulsion, the girl owing that she had acted of her own free will and that she had been treated kindly by the accused.

Magistrate Jay held that the case had been fully proved, and that the man came within the section under which he was indicted, having induced the girl to come to this city. The court had no reason to doubt that every word she had said was true, and there was corroboration of her testimony. As it was the first offence charged against the accused the court could not order the lash, but he would go to penitentiary for three years.

## MAY HAVE TO APPEAL TO JUDGE'S RULING

### Suggestion With Regard to Northeast Sewer Agreement and the Deadlock

Since the joint municipal meeting early in January nothing has been decided with regard to the northeast sewer agreement, because Saanich will not agree that Oak Bay has a claim on the municipality for payment of any sum.

It was stated at the city hall today that the only way to break the impasse, falling agreement by mayor and reeves, is appeal on the facts to a judge of the supreme court, who reviews the claims of each municipality and makes an award.

The northwest sewer agreement has been drafted and sent to the committee of the city council for attention. When it has been approved, although it will not become operative till the district council has submitted, by-law, because at present it has no funds to pay the proportionate cost agreed upon when the trunk sewer was approved by the three councils.

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## INTERURBAN LINE OPEN TO DEEP BAY

### First Train Since Snowstorms Got Through This Afternoon; Relief to Farmers

The B. C. Electric Interurban service expected to reach Deep Cove Bay on the Saanich line by 1 o'clock this afternoon. Three gangs, comprising several hundred men, were working strenuously clearing the tracks, and the snow plow made such unexpected rapid headway with the opening of the line that only some untoward accident could interfere with the running of the schedule trains right to the interurban terminus after this morning's effort.

People living in the Saanich peninsula who have been cut off from the source of supplies both for the household and for their livestock are especially grateful for the completion of the work, and see the opening of the line with unalloyed relief, as many had come to the end of their stores.

All the transmission lines from Jordan River, Goldstream, and Brentwood Bay have been repaired, and are now working efficiently, and as the street car systems in the city have been opened up to their terminuses the ravages of last week's storm have been practically righted as far as the disadvantages to the public are concerned.

## TONG WAR IN CHINATOWN

### Witness in Assault Case Forgets What He Told Police at Time, and Now Knows Nothing.

Magistrate Jay is today hearing in court a case arising out of a Chinese tong war, between the Wongs and the Lims.

Lee Chan and Ah Wong are accused of assaulting Lim Sam with intent to do him grievous bodily harm. Both are well-to-do Chinese and wear European dress. They are being defended by J. Percival Wallis.

City Prosecutor Harrison explained to the court that the more serious charge of highway robbery which he had thought might have to be laid could not be supported, the money being taken from a table and not from the person of Lim Sam.

Dr. J. W. Lennox, who attended the injured man at the Jubilee hospital, said he had four wounds in the head. One on the left cheek was an incised wound about an inch long, down to the bone, which required three stitches. There was a contused wound on the forehead and two on the back of the head. The doctor expressed his surprise at the lightness of the wounds if they had been made by the iron bar shown him. It would require very little force behind either to fracture a man's skull; in fact, he considered that one could knock down almost any beast with them.

It developed in the course of the evidence of the complaining witness that he is afraid, and this seemed to have an effect upon his testimony. He went back on the story which he told to the police when a cousin of his called in Constable Bishop late last Friday evening. To-day he could not swear that either of the accused had struck him, or that he was hit with the bar produced.

According to his story he was in pursuit of a man who had stolen two dollars from him, and the chase led into the house where these men were. They ordered him out and pushed him towards the door. He was struck, and became dizzy, and when he came to they were the only persons in sight. Pressed to tell who had struck him he took refuge behind the excuse that he was struck he got dizzy. He was understood in the end to say that neither of the men accused had struck him, but that another man not there had been told by them to strike him.

The case is in progress this afternoon.

## LOCAL NEWS

**Victorian Order of Nurses.**—The postponed meetings of the Victorian Order of Nurses will take place on Feb. 15 at 2.30 and 5 o'clock, at 1894 Cook street.

**City of Vancouver's Example.**—The advantage of railroad facilities during a snow blockade is shown in Vancouver, where as it was stated yesterday, the city council is handling coal at first hand to its citizens. The coal is being sold at \$5 a ton, the price fixed by the C. P. R., plus 60 cents for sack- ing, and a small sum for switching. Trucks are filled with coal and shunted to various points in the city, whence it is distributed at the temporary depots to householders.

**Mrs. R. J. Cooper, of Ash street, arrived home yesterday after a five weeks' visit to relatives in Southern California.**

## TO JOIN IMPERIAL ARMY SPEAKS ON VALUE OF PUBLIC LIBRARIES

### Provincial Librarian Tells Rotarians Institutions Should Be Fostered

Before the Rotary club at lunch today the provincial librarian, E. O. S. Scholefield spoke on "The Library and the Community," and following a hearty vote of thanks for his address, accorded the members of the club an invitation to visit the library in the parliament buildings in a body on some future occasion. The president of the club, James Hunter, thanked Mr. Scholefield for the invitation and accepted it on behalf of the members.

Mr. Scholefield said that the public library, properly equipped, was the peoples' opportunity. It would feed and foster the exceptional aptitudes that too often were allowed to run to waste in the great industrial system. It was a chance which a great democratic country, wholly dependent on the brain of the children, could not afford to miss. Through habits of good reading some child of to-day might eventually write a great book, accomplish some epoch-making work, or make history in other respects. Few great things were done, he said, without the aid and stimulus of literature.

The settlement of many national difficulties came through literature, and the public library bridges the chasm between the embryo citizen and the scholar. The library would always be a great friend to the young man who hoped to hold his own in the battle of life.

Mr. Scholefield referred to the part imagination played in life. Without it, he said, nothing of real moment could be accomplished. It had something to do with every kind of progress.

The civic library movement of today could be compared, he said, with that which in the middle ages covered Europe with monasteries, and later with grammar schools, but the library movement differed in that it was a popular movement, rooted in the essential requirements of the age. Libraries should contain the best literature and periodicals concerned with the department of human activity, and the habit of mind made by seeking information and putting it to account was almost as valuable as the knowledge gained.

Reading for amusement, one of the objections to civic libraries, he said, was necessary in the stress of modern life. There were great statesmen who did not despise the novel. People always had to seek mind relaxation in one way or another, and they find a worse way than in novel reading. While material prosperity held the minds of people in the west, there was a chance that they might lose sight of the higher objects of life. This was a danger and a peril, and it therefore was necessary to foster the library movement in every way because the academic and intellectual atmosphere of the cities must be constructed.

Mr. Scholefield predicted that in the course of the next decade there would be a great demand for public libraries in places that now were settlements. The public library modeled a community and its development never would be regretted. The civic library was a public necessity, and where it was well organized it should be generously supported in order that it might become a centre of radiating light and knowledge to the entire community.

## COAL BEING SENT TO SUBURBAN DISTRICTS

### B. C. Electric Railway is Being Praised for Its Public Spirit

Further easing of the fuel situation, and a probable end to the extortions of teamsters, is following the public-spirited action of the local management of the B. C. Electric Railway Co.

Already the residents of Oak Bay have been enabled to get fuel through the agency of the municipality at the ordinary retail price, and by its being brought out to the municipal hall they have been able to get it home themselves.

Last night a total of 22 tons was taken out to Esquimalt on B. C. electric flat cars after the passenger traffic had ceased at midnight. Of this 12 tons were taken on to the navy yard for use in the electric lighting station and 10 tons were left at the yard of J. E. Painter & Sons on Esquimalt road, near the theatre, from which delivery will be easy to the main part of the town.

To-night 20 tons will be sent out to a depot which is being established at Fossil Bay, and this will be especially welcome there on account of the great distance from the centre of the city and the delay which has necessarily taken place in the opening up of the street railway line.

It is likely that more coal will be secured by Oak Bay for its residents, if it is found necessary, and this will be carried out by the street railway company.

There is a great deal of very favorable comment being heard on the action of the company in this regard, as well as in regard to the manner in which it has overcome the quite serious difficulties created by having all its lines buried under several feet of snow.

The situation which has arisen in connection with the teaming of fuel, and the confessed inability of the city council to deal with it, renders all the more timely and praiseworthy the offer of the company to convey coal free on its flat cars at night to outlying points from which it might be more readily secured by the consumers and taken home by them. As teamsters have been charging an exorbitant rate per hour, which even in the case of close-in residents has meant nearly one hundred per cent. on the cost of the coal, it has been quite prohibitive in the case of people living out in the suburbs and the neighboring municipalities.

By the thoughtful and generous action of the B. C. Electric these users are now brought within easy reach of a fuel supply, and the fear of a coal famine in the outlying districts is removed.

## LAME BACK STRENGTHENED, STIFFNESS TAKEN RIGHT OUT

### Was Relieved in an Hour, and Cured Over Night

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**Provincial Railway Commissioners.**—The Vancouver Board of Trade has adopted a resolution that the provincial government should appoint a board of railway commissioners similar to that operating under the Dominion law, to adjust all disputes with reference to railroads, freight rates, etc.

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WILL ASK THE GOVT. FOR AN AUDITOR

Mr. Justice Murphy Makes Announcement Regarding Dominion Trust Liquidation

COUNSEL FOR STEWART LODGES OBJECTION

Vancouver, Feb. 10.—A decision of Mr. Justice Murphy to apply to the provincial government for the assistance of an official from the auditor's department to investigate the expenditures of the Dominion Trust liquidation was announced by his lordship this morning at the special chamber sittings held to consider matters arising out of the liquidation.

GERMANY'S FRANTIC OFFER TO BELGIUM

Fresh Evidence Nation is Feeling the Pinch and Desires Peace. New York, Feb. 10.—A cable to the Tribune from London says: "Fresh evidence that Germany is anxious to end the war as soon as possible comes to light every day."

WILSON WILL ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF SECRETARY GARRISON

Washington, Feb. 10.—Lindley M. Garrison, secretary of war, has tendered his resignation to President Wilson. It is understood that it will be accepted, although comment is withheld at the White House.

MANITOBA BUDGET.

Winnipeg, Feb. 10.—The estimate of the cost of civil government in Manitoba for the ensuing year is \$6,258,862.22, according to the budget which Hon. Edward Brown, provincial treasurer, presented to the legislature this afternoon.

TO-DAY'S TRADING ON THE WINNIPEG MARKET

Table with columns for Wheat, Oats, Barley, Flax, and various other commodities, listing prices and market movements.

BOWSER ASKED TO ANSWER AT ONCE

People's Prohibition Movement Desires to Know Attitude of Government

Vancouver, Feb. 10.—A decision to present immediately to Premier Bowser a demand that he place himself definitely on record as to where his government stands on the prohibition question, with an intimation that if such statement of the government's position be not given before the bye-elections are announced, it will be construed to mean that the government has allied itself with the liquor interests, was arrived at last night at a meeting of the central committee of the People's Prohibition Movement.

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J. H. ASHDOWN DYING AT ROCHESTER, MINN.

Winnipeg, Feb. 10.—James H. Ashdown, one of the best known and wealthiest citizens of Winnipeg, is reported to be dying at Rochester, Minn., following an operation. His wife is with him. Mr. Ashdown was taken to the Mayo Brothers' Surgical hospital there on Friday last.

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Table listing Montreal stock prices for various companies like American Marconi, Canadian Marconi, Bell Telephone, etc.

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GRANBY WENT NEARLY TO PAR VALUE TO-DAY

Quotations on Victoria Stock Exchange Daily Improving Throughout. Disposition of prices was similar to yesterday and bullish sentiment continued the controlling factor, again being represented best in Granby Consolidated, that issue advancing two and a half dollars more a share.

COPPER AND STEEL ISSUES ABSORBED

Trend of Securities in Wall Street Decidedly Strong at Session. (By F. W. Stevenson & Co.) New York, Feb. 10.—Trading broadened considerably. Dealings drifted into the better class of securities.

Table listing various stock prices including Alaska Gold, Amn. Car. & Pdy., Amn. Steel, etc.

ERRATIC ACTION FOR WHEAT IN CHICAGO

Chicago, Feb. 10.—After being subjected to the most erratic action, wheat prices finished precisely the same to a sixteenth as the previous close for the May option and one-eighth lower for July. Pit sentiment was uniformly bullish soon after the opening and a selling wave developed that broke the market sharply.

Table listing Chicago wheat prices for various months and options.

NEW YORK SUGAR.

Table listing New York sugar prices for various types like New York, Feb. 10.—Raw sugar barely steady; centrifugal, 4 1/2; molasses, 46 1/2; refined steady.

BANK OF MONTREAL ESTABLISHED 1817. BOARD OF DIRECTORS: H. V. MEREDITH, Esq., President. Capital Paid up: \$16,000,000. Total Assets (Oct. 1915): \$22,980,554.

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## SPORTING NEWS

### BAYLEY RETAINED CHAMPIONSHIP IN DISAPPOINTING BOUT AT WILLOWS

Fight With McDonald Went Full Fifteen Rounds With Very Few Clean Blows Struck

Joe Bayley, of Victoria, successfully defended his title as lightweight champion of Canada last night when he outfought Band Sgt. Hector McDonald, of the 11th C. M. R., in a 15-round bout at the Willows horse show building. The champion's advantage was not great. He missed frequently, but he also landed more frequently than his opponent, and his blows had more power behind them. In the early stages of the fight there was very little open fighting, and the bout more resembled a catch-as-catch-can wrestling match than a championship battle. Referee W. H. Davies had a tough job on his hands separating the powerful boys. As the contest progressed it developed into a genuine grudge fight, the boys mixing willingly. The referee received some nasty blows in attempting to separate the boys. Bayley excelled at long range fighting and started the blood flowing from McDonald's nose early in the contest. He stopped the rushes of the soldier with stinging straight lefts. McDonald was clever in avoiding punches, but he appeared to be a trifle muscle bound, and did not land many effective blows.

Throughout the 15 rounds there was not the least semblance of a knockout, although in the seventh round the champion scored with three consecutive rights to the challenger's jaw, but they had not much effect on his husky opponent.

It was a somewhat disappointing fight. It was anticipated that the engagement would be a stand-up, 100-to-100 scrap, but it turned out to be completely the reverse. Two thirds of the time the boys were mixing at close quarters or clinching.

A great roar of dissatisfaction went up from McDonald's supporters when Referee Davies raised Bayley's hand as a token of victory. They thought that their pride would be returned a winner. It was a just decision. Referee Davies, who knows boxing from A to Z, kept tab of every round with a little pad.

Bayley, attired in a pair of bright green trunks, was the first to enter the ring, accompanied by Cyclone Scott, Morris Condon, Tommy Bayley, and Owen Grace. The band struck up "O Canada" when the champion climbed through the ropes. McDonald followed shortly afterwards, followed by his seconds, Troopers Woods, Jackie Roberts, and Tommy Walters and Kirkbride. The band played "The Wearing of the Green."

Announcer Sergt. Major Bond, of No. 3 Squadron, stated the bout was

for the lightweight championship of Canada. The boys were called to the centre of the ring and decks were cleared for action.

When the gong sounded they did not even shake hands. Bayley backed McDonald into a corner but did no damage. The round was marked by considerable clinching and no damaging blows were struck. The round was about even.

Round 2 was much the same. It more resembled a wrestling match than a boxing contest. Bayley was the aggressor and carried off the honors.

Rounds three and four were Bayley's, as he did most of the forcing and landed the cleaner blows. In the fifth the challenger had the better of the exchanges, making the champion miss by clever ducking. Rounds six, seven and eight were Bayley's. He had McDonald's nose bleeding badly, and struck the soldier with hard right smashes to the jaw.

Rounds eight and nine were McDonald's by quite a margin. He made Bayley miss frequently and countered with left and right jabs, but his blows lacked steam. The round following Bayley came back strong and easily carried off the honors. For the remainder of the fight the exchanges were very even. In the final round both boys were eager to score a knockout. They battled hard, but neither could succeed in slipping over a sleep producer, and when the gong sounded the boys were in a heated mixup in McDonald's corner. Referee Davies immediately raised Bayley's hand at a token of victory amid a storm of protest from McDonald's admirers.

Corpl. Tommy Moore, of the 11th, challenged the winner, and Bayley accepted.

Preceding the main event were two four-round preliminaries. Trooper Sid Woods, of the 11th C. M. R., and Pte. Billy Sneddon, of the 88th Battalion, boxed four fast rounds to a draw. Sneddon had a slight advantage in the early part of the fight, but the trooper made a strong finish and evened up matters. The draw decision rendered by Referee Tom Whalen was popular. It was a lightning go, and the spectators regretted that the bout was not scheduled for six rounds instead of four.

A second four-round preliminary between Pte. Dunn, of the 67th Battalion, and Lance-Corpl. Stanton, of the 11th C. M. R., was a one-sided affair. Dunn, the smaller man, only substituted in the last minute, and was on the receiving end throughout. When he finally went down through exhaustion in the fourth round, Referee Whalen awarded the fight to Stanton. The latter shapes up well and should develop into a first class ring man.

Throughout the evening the C. M. R. band enlivened the intervals by playing popular airs, and closed the night's entertainment with "God Save the King."

### EXPECT TO ESTABLISH WORLD'S SKI RECORD

Revelstoke, B. C., Feb. 10.—While the ski club of this city did not break the world's record yesterday, as it expected to do, it did succeed in breaking the record of Canada. Conditions for ski jumping were not at the best, as a light snow had fallen all forenoon, and this necessarily slowed up to the run required of the jump. In addition to this, Neils Nelson, the local jumper, strained one of the ligaments of his ankle a few days ago, and although he jumped 136 feet he was not at his best.

Revelstoke has been preparing for the two days' carnival all winter, and the prediction has been made that the record of the world would be broken. In a practice jump four days ago, Nelson made 185 feet, and the world's record, held in Norway, is 177 feet. The Canadian record is 124 feet, and this was officially beaten to-day by 12 feet. To make a contest official there must be in competition contestants from four or more recognized clubs. These conditions were fully met, and Revelstoke claims the ski jumping record of Canada.

Neils Nelson, the record maker, is a young Canadian of Norwegian parentage, and a resident of Revelstoke. The people here intend to back him against the world.

### PACIFIC COAST TRAP SHOOT.

Seattle, Wash., Feb. 10.—Though no official announcement regarding the eleventh annual Pacific Coast handicap has been made, it is believed that the blue ribbon trap shooting event of the west will be held on the traps of the Spokane Gun club in July. Portland has a bid in for the tournament, but according to President A. W. Strouger, will withdraw in Spokane's favor. The Spokane Gun club held the 1907 Pacific Coast handicap, but only fifty-four shooters entered. Prominent shooters here are of the opinion that more than 100 men will be entered in the 1916 tournament. President Strouger says in the event that the meet is staged at Spokane, Portland will send a big delegation to the Spokane shoot. Interest has been unusually high in Portland this year in trap shooting.

### WILLIAMS DEFENDS TITLE.

New Orleans, La., Feb. 9.—Kid Williams, of Baltimore, world's bantam weight champion, and Pete Herhan, of New Orleans, fought 20 rounds to a draw here Monday. The decision was given by Referee William Rocaup, of Philadelphia.

Williams was the aggressor in the early rounds, but throughout Herhan appeared to have the advantage in the boxing at long range. Williams' work in the clinches apparently overcame Herhan's cleverness in distance fighting.

### REFEREE'S TABLE.

Referee W. H. Davies this morning forwarded to the Times his table of how he kept tab on the rounds last night. He allowed four points to the round and the total gives Bayley a three-point advantage. The following is the table:

	Bayley	McDonald
Round 1	2	2
Round 2	2½	1½
Round 3	2½	1½
Round 4	2½	1½
Round 5	1	3
Round 6	2	2
Round 7	2½	1½
Round 8	1	3
Round 9	1½	2½
Round 10	3	1
Round 11	2	2½
Round 12	2	2
Round 13	2½	1½
Round 14	2	2
Round 15	2½	1½
Total	31½	28½

### EASTERN POLO TEAM MAY VISIT THE COAST

San Francisco, Feb. 10.—Word received from J. Eugene Geer, the eastern polo expert at Hempstead, N. Y., is to the effect that some of the polo colony who now are at Aiken, S. C., are likely to make a trip to the Pacific coast before the Long Island and other eastern tournaments begin. Already there is an imposing array of eastern polo talent playing on coast fields.

These include G. M. Heksher, of the Meadow Brook club, who has with him eight of his string of ponies; C. Perry Headiston, an international substitute; Malcolm Stevenson, also of international calibre and rated as an eight-goal man. Thomas Le Boutellier, another eastern star who is here will be somewhat handicapped in his play, it is believed, by reason of a leg broken in play at Meadow Brook last fall, although the preliminary games in which he has taken part at Coronado have given but slight evidence of this.

### WINNIPEG BONSPIEL.

Winnipeg, Feb. 10.—The opening day of the twenty-eighth annual bonspiel did not augur well for the visitors in the Dingwall competition, many strong rinks being beaten during the first four draws. Rinks defeated in the premier competition, the Dingwall, automatically are entered in the McLean.

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### PRESBYTERIANS GAIN NARROW WIN OVER METS

Stan. Gill Injured Early in Game and Retired; Knox Defaults to Belmont

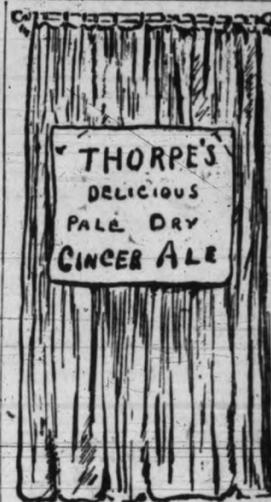
By virtue of their 29 to 27 defeat of the Metropolitan A team at the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium last night the First Presbyterian Church quintette increased its lead in the Sunday School League standing. It was a nip-and-tuck struggle with honors about even, and it was apparent that the Mets would have reversed the decision had they not been deprived of the services of their star player, Stan. Gill who had to retire from the game. "Buck" Yeo substituted. The Mets appeared to have the edge in the attack, but the Presbyterian guards, Heyland and Dawson, checked well and saved their team from defeat. Marwood starred for the Mets, scoring all their field points. Bob Whyte officiated as referee.

A second Senior League fixture scheduled between the Knox Presbyterian five and Belmont went to the latter by default. Several members of the Knox team are on the hospital list, and they were unable to field a team. A "scrub" team was picked up from the side lines and defeated the Belmonts 35 to 28.

James Bay is now leading the Intermediate Sunday School league by a substantial margin. Last night the team increased its lead by defeating St. Andrew's Presbyterian quintette 46 to 6.

Two games were played in the Ladies' league at the First Presbyterian Church gymnasium. Metropolitan defeated Fairfield 9 to 6, and the Reformed Episcopal gained a 34 to 2 victory over Belmont.

It has been decided that on Wednesdays and Saturdays, the opening fixtures will commence at 7 p. m. instead of 8 p. m.



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### KENNEL CLUB WILL HOLD SHOW IN APRIL

It was decided at the meeting of the Victoria Kennel club last night, held in Dr. Garesche's office, to hold the annual dog show in this city some time in April following the Seattle Kennel club show, despite the conditions brought on by the war the officers of the club anticipate that the show this year will far surpass those of previous years. Mrs. Brownlee has resigned as a member of the bench show committee, and Mrs. E. G. Maynard was elected to succeed her.

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 Crosse & Blackwell's Soups, per tin, 35¢ and ..... 40¢  
 Campbell's Soups, 2 tins for 25¢  
 Van Camp's Soups, 2 tins 25¢  
 Chicken Broth, for invalids, per tin ..... 35¢  
 Mutton Broth, for invalids, per tin ..... 35¢  
 Beef Tea, for invalids, tin, 35¢

## RELATIVE VALUE OF MILITARY AWARDS

### Many Decorations Now Being Given as Rewards for Distinguished Bravery

In view of the number of soldiers engaged in the present campaign who are winning distinction for deeds of valor on the field, it is interesting to note the relative standing of some of the decorations which are given in this connection.

#### Victoria Cross

The most highly-prized and coveted award is, of course, the Victoria Cross, instituted by Royal Warrant in 1856. Nothing save the merit of conspicuous bravery gives claim for the decoration, and it must be evinced by some signal act of valor or devotion to the empire, performed in the presence of the enemy. Every grade and rank of all branches of his majesty's forces, British and colonial, are eligible, with the single exception of native ranks of the Indian army, who have an equivalent decoration in the Order of Merit. In the case of recipients who are not of commissioned rank the Cross carries with it a pension of £10 a year, and an additional £5 a year for each clasp. The award, which is a bronze Maltese cross, is usually referred to by its initials.

#### Military Cross

The Military Cross is much newer, and was instituted by King George V. in the present war to be awarded for distinguished service or distinguished acts of merit on the field. It is, in fact, very similar in its purpose to the Victoria Cross, but is awarded to officers not above the rank of captain, and to warrant officers.

#### Distinguished Conduct

The Distinguished Conduct in the Field (Army) medal was instituted in 1862 by Royal Warrant. It is awarded for individual acts of distinguished conduct in the field in any part of the world, and only non-commissioned officers and men of the British forces are eligible.

There is a colonial Distinguished Conduct Medal, instituted in 1894, which is the same as the foregoing with the exception that on the reverse the name of the colony is inscribed above the words "For Distinguished Conduct in the Field." Each colony draws up regulations governing the issue of these medals to suit its own requirements, but in essentials the regulations are the same as those governing the award in England.

#### Meritorious Service

The Meritorious Service (Army and Royal Marines) medal was instituted by royal warrant for the army only in 1845, but this was extended by order-in-council in 1849 to the Royal Marines also. Only non-commissioned officers of or above the rank of sergeant are eligible for this decoration, which carries with it an annuity not exceeding £20 per annum. The qualification for recommendation is long, efficient and meritorious service, and need not necessarily, although in many cases it does, include any special display of personal gallantry in action. It can be worn with the Long Service and Good Conduct medal, although prior to 1902 it was considered to cancel the latter.

#### Distinguished Service

The Distinguished Service Order is given only to officers and naval and military officials of officer rank (not including Indian native officers) for services in war. Often it is the reward of actual conspicuous gallantry under fire, its purpose, however, as defined in the royal warrant instituting the order, being to reward "individual instances of meritorious or distinguished service in war." The same document declares that only those shall be eligible who have been mentioned in dispatches for meritorious or distinguished services in the field, or before the enemy, so that it is awarded for special services in war and not necessarily under fire. Although the services rewarded are generally rendered in action, the order is in no sense a second class of the Victoria Cross. It is generally referred to by its initials.

## MILITARY ITEMS

Garnet R. Halliday, a son of George Halliday, of G. Halliday & Sons, Ltd., is taking an aviation course at Burns's flying school, Los Angeles, with a view to becoming a member of the Royal Naval Air Service.

An illustrated lecture was given at Work Point barracks last night to the men of section B, 1st Field Ambulance, by A. S. Huxtable and R. C. Howell, who spoke on "From Victoria to the Battlefield."

Copies of authority for recruiting battalions beyond strength similar to the authority given several days ago to battalions stationed at Vancouver were issued yesterday afternoon to the battalions in camp here. The only battalion in Victoria now at full strength is the 67th, Western Scots. The 88th is in need of a base company, the 103rd still lacks about 200 men, and the 102nd at Comox about 200. The Western Scots, in line with the new order, will take on men medically and otherwise fit.

Lieut.-Col. Powley yesterday completed the arrangements for a building to be used as temporary quarters for the 142d Battalion, B. C. Bantams. Until the barracks at Beacon Hill are completed the men recruited at Vancouver and those who transfer or join will be mustered in the old Burns block, Bastion square. Lieut.-Col. Powley says the building will hold about 400 men, and will be suited to the needs of his battalion with very few repairs or alterations. By the time 400 bantams have been recruited the barracks will be ready to house them.

The Nanaimo council has taken up the matter of petitioning the militia

department at Ottawa to station a thousand soldiers in the Coal City. The resolution of the board of trade that this be done has been endorsed by the council. The mayor said at the time of passing the resolution that Nanaimo had not received fair treatment from the militia department. Ald. Shaw said that a large number of men stationed at Victoria and 700 at Comox, made the contrast too glaring.

The band of the 11th Regiment C. M. R. under Bandmaster H. Blatter, will resume its concerts at the Variety theatre on Sunday evening. The programme prepared for this week is an unusually strong one, featuring the Grand Military Tottos as a special instrumental number. The artists assisting will be Miss Jean Patterson, of Nanaimo; Cpl. L. Patrey, 11th C. M. R., and Cpl. R. Morrison of the 67th Western Scots.

## THREE LIEUTENANTS NAMED IN THE 67TH

### Lieut.-Col. Ross Promotes His Sergeants, Following Efficiency Programme

Lieut.-Col. Ross, commanding the 67th Battalion, believes in every officer of his battalion knowing as much about the work of the officer above him as is possible, and changes of duty are frequent in the battalion. Officers are suddenly notified to step into the shoes of their senior temporarily, and get familiar with the work. Some time ago he gave charge of the battalion to the senior major for a few days, and stood by and watched how the major took care of and directed it. Later the three other majors were each placed in charge of the battalion and the next in rank officers were given senior duties vacated for the time by the majors.

In this way Lieut.-Col. Ross says he will have all his officers ready for the step up should it be necessary for an officer suddenly to assume higher command. They all will be trained beyond their rank because it is a part of the efficiency programme he has undertaken to give the Western Scots before they get to France.

This system Lieut.-Col. Ross has followed down through the ranks, and it has been known there for weeks that there were to be promotions made from the ranks for six lieutenants needed to complete the establishment. Three of these promotions were made yesterday afternoon, when the colonel raised three sergeants to the rank of lieutenant. There are other promotions to be made at an early date and all are to be from the present strength of the battalion.

The three sergeants who have been raised to commissioned rank are H. S. Thain, R. A. Blyth and A. M. Hall. Lieut. Thain is an Englishman, 26 years old; Lieut. Hall is a native of Three Rivers, Quebec; and Lieut. Blyth was born in 1881, at Colchester, Essex, and saw service in South Africa.

## WEATHER BULLETIN

### Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Feb. 10—5 a. m.—An important ocean storm area now centered off Vancouver Island is causing southerly gales on the coast and the sound. These gales extend to the Straits of Fuca and Georgia. Decidedly mild weather with rain extends to the Lower Fraser valley and snow is reported in Cariboo and Kootenay. Intense cold continues in the prairie provinces.

Forecasts.  
 For 26 hours ending 5 p. m. Friday, Victoria and vicinity—Strong winds or gales, mostly easterly and southerly, unsettled and decidedly mild with rain.  
 Lower Mainland—Strong winds or gales, mostly easterly and southerly, unsettled and decidedly mild with rain.

Reports.  
 Victoria—Barometer, 29.46; temperature, maximum yesterday, 42; minimum, 22; wind, 12 miles S. E.; rain, .73 inch; cloudy.  
 Vancouver—Barometer, 29.46; temperature, maximum yesterday, 38; minimum, 26; wind, 12 miles S. E.; rain, .36; cloudy.  
 Kamloops—Barometer, 29.54; temperature, maximum yesterday, 14; minimum, 10; wind, 20 miles S.; snowing.  
 Barkerville—Barometer, 29.53; temperature, maximum yesterday, 10; minimum, 4 below; calm; snow, 3.00 inches; snowing.  
 Prince Rupert—Barometer, 29.16; temperature, maximum yesterday, 23; minimum, 20; wind, 24 miles E.; snow, 2 inches; snowing.  
 Portland, Ore.—Barometer, 29.64; temperature, maximum yesterday, 60; minimum, 44; wind, 16 miles S.; rain, 1.10 inch; raining.  
 Seattle—Barometer, 29.53; temperature, maximum yesterday, 50; minimum, 42; wind, 20 miles S.; rain, .41; clear.  
 San Francisco—Barometer, 30.12; temperature, maximum yesterday, 62; minimum, 54; wind, 6 miles S. E.; rain, .08; cloudy.

Temperature.  
 Max. Min.  
 Penikese ..... 25 .. 20 ..  
 Nelson ..... 25 .. 14 ..  
 Calgary ..... 4 .. 14 ..  
 Edmonton ..... 5 .. 20 ..  
 Qu'Appelle ..... 6 .. 30 ..  
 Winnipeg ..... 4 .. 28 ..  
 Toronto ..... 37 .. ..  
 Ottawa ..... 12 .. ..  
 Montreal ..... 12 .. ..  
 St. John ..... 18 .. ..  
 Halifax ..... 26 .. ..

Victoria Daily Weather.  
 Observations taken 5 a. m., noon and 5 p. m., Wednesday.  
 Temperature.  
 Highest ..... 43 ..  
 Lowest ..... 23 ..  
 Average ..... 37 ..  
 Minimum on grass ..... 21 ..  
 Snow, 1.25 inches.  
 Rain, .20 inch.  
 General state of weather, cloudy.

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## WEEKLY WEATHER REPORT.

### From February 2 to 8.

Victoria—Total amount of bright sunshine, 4 hours; rain, .4 inch; snow, .33 inch; highest temperature, 49, on 5th; lowest, 25, on 2nd.

Vancouver—Total amount of bright sunshine, 3 hours 6 minutes; snow, 23.75 inches; highest temperature, 38, on 2nd; lowest, 25, on 3rd.

Kamloops—Total amount of bright sunshine, 21 hours 42 minutes; snow, 3.60 inches; highest temperature, 14, on 7th; lowest, 18 below zero, on 3rd.

Nanaimo—Total amount of bright sunshine, 3 hours 24 minutes; rain, .04 inch; snow, .27 inches; highest temperature, 39, on 7th; lowest, 28, on 4th.

New Westminster—Snow, 23.00 inches; highest temperature, 35, on 2nd; lowest, 22, on 2nd.

Pentlcton—Snow, 4.50 inches; highest temperature, 27, on 6th; lowest, 9 below zero, on 3rd.

Adjo—No snow; highest temperature, 8, on 7th; lowest, 23 below zero, on 3rd.

Cranbrook—No snow; highest temperature, 26, on 5th; lowest, 18 below zero, on 2nd and 4th.

Barkerville—Snow, .30 inch; highest temperature, 6, on 4th; lowest, 20 below zero, on 6th.

South Fort George—Highest temperature, 19, on 2nd; lowest, 33 below, on 3rd.

Prince Rupert—No snow; highest temperature, 45, on 6th and 7th; lowest, 16, on 5th, 7th and 8th.

Adjo—No snow; highest temperature, 8, on 7th; lowest, 23 below zero, on 3rd.

Dawson—No snow; highest temperature, 16 below zero, on 6th; lowest, 40 below zero, on 4th.

A recruit in Kitchener's army was recently sent to the barracks of a large provincial town. Shortly after his arrival there he thought he would like to see the sights, and asked for a pass from the sergeant, which he promptly received. After wandering round the town to his heart's content he tried to find his way back, and being unacquainted with the place this was no easy matter. Eventually he reached barracks some hours late, to be brought before his sergeant for an explanation. Sergeant—"What is the meaning of your turning up so late?" Recruit—"I lost my way, sir." Sergeant—"You lost your way?" Recruit—"Yes, sir." Sergeant—"Well, you had better stay in barracks until you know the town better. Dismiss!"

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## WAS FORMERLY AT ESQUIMALT STATION

Captain Garnons-Williams, R. N., Lived Here When Commander of H. M. S. Warspite

daughter of Wm. C. Ward, then superintendent of the Bank of British Columbia, and who is now residing at "Westover," Shastron avenue, Victoria. Captain Garnons-Williams leave besides his widow, a son and daughter. The son is a lieutenant in the South Wales Borderers, and after being badly wounded in May last year, is again serving in the trenches in France. Captain Garnons-Williams's brother, who was 66 years of age, was recently killed in France while leading his regiment (Royal Fusilier) as colonel.

The sudden death of Captain Aylmer Garnons-Williams, R. N., was communicated by cable yesterday to relatives in this city, with which he was identified some years ago. He was commander of H. M. S. Warspite when she was flagship of Admiral Bournemouth, then commander-in-chief of the Pacific station, and had previously served on the station in H. M. S. Daphne in enforcing the sealing regulations in Behring Sea. He was first lieutenant of H. M. S. Camperdown when she was in collision with H. M. S. Victoria many years since. While the Warspite was stationed at Esquimalt his wife and family resided there. In 1894 he married Edith, third

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## FIRE HALLS TO REOPEN

Weather Conditions Have Now Moderated Sufficiently to Encourage Change of Plan.

A day's rain will enable the district fire halls to be reopened, in the opinion of Chief Davie, who plans to reopen the No. 5 hall, which serves the north end of the city and the urban part of Saanich municipality, to-night or to-morrow. The other halls should be brought into use to-morrow, so that by another 24 hours the conditions should be practically normal so far as the Victoria fire department is concerned.

This intimation is entirely dependent on a continuation of the thaw. The motor apparatus will be in use downtown to-day, should a call come in, the amount of slush remaining in the centre of the streets being practically no impediment to the free movement of the apparatus.

Some time ago the Archbishop of Canterbury was to officiate at an important service in London. The main entrance to the Abbey was opened, and a great space roped off so that the dignitaries might alight from their equipages unmolested. When a dusty four-wheeler crossed the square, driven by a fat, red-faced cobby, bobbies rushed out to lead him off. "Get out of 'ere," one of them called briskly. "This entrance is reserved for the archbishop." With a wink and a backward jerk of his thumb the irrepressible cobby replied, cheerfully:—"I 'ave the old buffer inside."

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## CONCERT PROCEEDS TO REPLACE PIPES

Pipers of 67th Battalion, Western Scots, Preparing Entertainment for February 29

The possibility of a Victoria military band appearing among the forces in Europe half furnished is unthinkable. During the cold weather of last month fifteen sets of pipes, the individual property of the pipers of the 67th Battalion band, were cracked and permanently spoiled by the frost. This has caused a loss which has two aspects—a regimental one and a personal one. Each of these instruments is worth about \$50. So it can be seen that several hundred dollars will be required to replace the loss.

In order to raise the necessary amount to purchase new pipes the pipers and drummers of the 67th Battalion have arranged to give a concert on Tuesday, February 29, at the Old Victoria theatre, kindly lent for the purpose by the Misses Spencer. No trouble is being spared to make the entertainment one of the finest given in the city this season, and it is earnestly hoped that the public will give it hearty support in order that the full amount necessary to furnish the band with instruments will be collected.

Those who are familiar with the history of the Scottish pipers know the derring part which has to be taken by the piper in this war. It may not be known to everyone that the bagpipes are the only musical instrument allowed by the British army in the trenches. It is possible to foresee the pipers of the local overseas Scottish battalion playing in a charge which must bring pride to the heart of every true citizen of Victoria. It is the duty of the public, therefore, to encourage the "brave laddies" in all they undertake.

The talent presented at the concert will satisfy the most fastidious critic, and the success of the entertainment is assured if it is anything like the pipers' ball in the Connaught hall. It is interesting to note that there are two veterans in the 67th pipe band. The older of the two, Piper Wallace, a white-haired warrior, served in the Zulu campaign. The other, Piper Leslie, was in the same charge at Dargat Heights with Piper Finlayster, V. C., who is a piper in the present war notwithstanding his advanced age. The sporting instinct which permeates the whole battalion has prompted the pipers to adopt this measure to replace their broken instruments. As rumor has it that the programme is to include something of particular interest never before presented to a Victoria audience, the necessary sum, it is hoped, will be raised and at the same time splendid entertainment provided for the many friends of the band.

## LEAVE NEXT WEEK.

Date Fixed for Ammunition Column to Go; Will Be in England in Three Weeks.

The 10th Field Artillery Brigade, ammunition column, now stationed at the old drill hall, Menzies street, has received orders to leave Victoria, at the end of next week. The brigade was recruited here and in Vancouver, and was recently told to hold itself in readiness to move. The date of departure now has been fixed.

Capt. C. W. Birch, who is in charge of the column, has under him three officers and 149 men, who have been thoroughly equipped, he says, by the ordnance department here, and are all ready.

Instructions have been sent to him to direct to St. John, and thence embark for England. He expects to reach England within three weeks.

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